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Elba Police make drug arrests

Officers with the Elba Police Department continue to crack down on illegal drugs with arrests.

On Tuesday, Oct. 4, Elba officers arrested Angela Acosta, age 36, of Ozark, Ala. She was charged with chemical endangerment of a child [\$15,000 bond], and distribution of a controlled substance to a minor [\$60,000 bond].

Acosta was booked into the Coffee County Jail at 6:54 p.m. last Tuesday evening, and she was later



Acosta

released on bond.

On Monday, Oct. 10, Elba Police arrested Levi Morgan, age 24, of Andalusia, Ala., and he was charged with felony probation violation, possession of a controlled substance, possession of marijuana – 2nd degree, and misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia.

Morgan was booked into the Coffee County Jail at 3:01 p.m. Monday afternoon, and he remained there as of press time this week.



Morgan

Tuesday morning, Oct. 11, Jason Bodiford, age 19, of Montgomery, Ala., was arrested by Elba Police for possession of a controlled substance [\$3,000 bond], possession of marijuana – 2nd degree [\$1,000 bond], misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia [\$1,000 bond], and carrying a concealed pistol without a permit [\$1,000 bond].

Bodiford was booked into the Coffee County Jail at 11:15 a.m. Tuesday morning, where he remained as of press time this week.



Bodiford

With recycle program currently shutdown

City of Elba working to identify businesses in need of cardboard box pickup each week

by Linda Hodge, Editor

During the Elba City Council meeting Monday night, Oct. 10, city clerk Sally Bane updated council members on the city's now closed recycling center.

She said the recycle drop-off center in Elba [old Elba High School gymnasium building in downtown] remains closed at this time as the city continues to look into when or how it can reopen recycling drop off to citizens.

In the meantime, Bane said the city has been making contact with businesses

in need of weekly cardboard box pickup.

"Businesses that need cardboard boxes picked up are asked to call city hall [897-2333] to get on the Friday pickup list," Bane said. "We ask that businesses not put the cardboard out until Friday morning, but to please have it out by 10 a.m. on Fridays. This is to try and help prevent the cardboard from blowing all over the city."

Further, Bane said the businesses should have a designated simple fenced in area for their cardboard.

Also, during her report, Bane said that city crews

have been working this week to clean around town to get the city ready for Homecoming on Friday of this week.

The clerk reminded council members the Pumpkins on the Square event is scheduled for Monday, Oct. 31, beginning at 5:30 p.m. on the square in Elba. This event, co-sponsored by the city and Elba Chamber of Commerce, features free candy for children, a costume contest, food trucks, a haunted hayride, jumpy houses, and more.

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Gladys Yelverton, acting chief executive officer for the Mulberry Heights Community Center, stands in front of the old Mulberry School in Elba. A grant from the Alabama Historical Commission will help the center repair and renovate a classroom in the building.

Alabama Historical Commission awards grant to Mulberry Heights Community Center organization

The Alabama Historical Commission recently awarded the Mulberry Heights Community Center organization with a grant in the amount of \$26,625 to repair and renovate a second classroom at the historic Mulberry School, which will be used for training, education, recreation, and cultural programming.

"We appreciate the support of the Alabama Historical Commission," says Gladys Yelverton,

Acting Chief Executive Officer of the Center. "We need local support to make this dream a reality, so consider supporting the project with your money, labor, and prayer."

The school dates to 1927, when the Mulberry Baptist Association deeded five acres of land to the state of Alabama to provide a school for African American schoolchildren. The Rosenwald Fund provided funding to match state and local contributions, and the five-teacher-type school stood until the 1960s, when the state built the current building as part of the Equalization School movement, an effort to continue segregation through schools that were "separate but equal."

The state closed the school in 1970.

A previous grant from the AHC in 2020 was used to begin renovations on five classrooms.

For more information on the project, contact Ms.

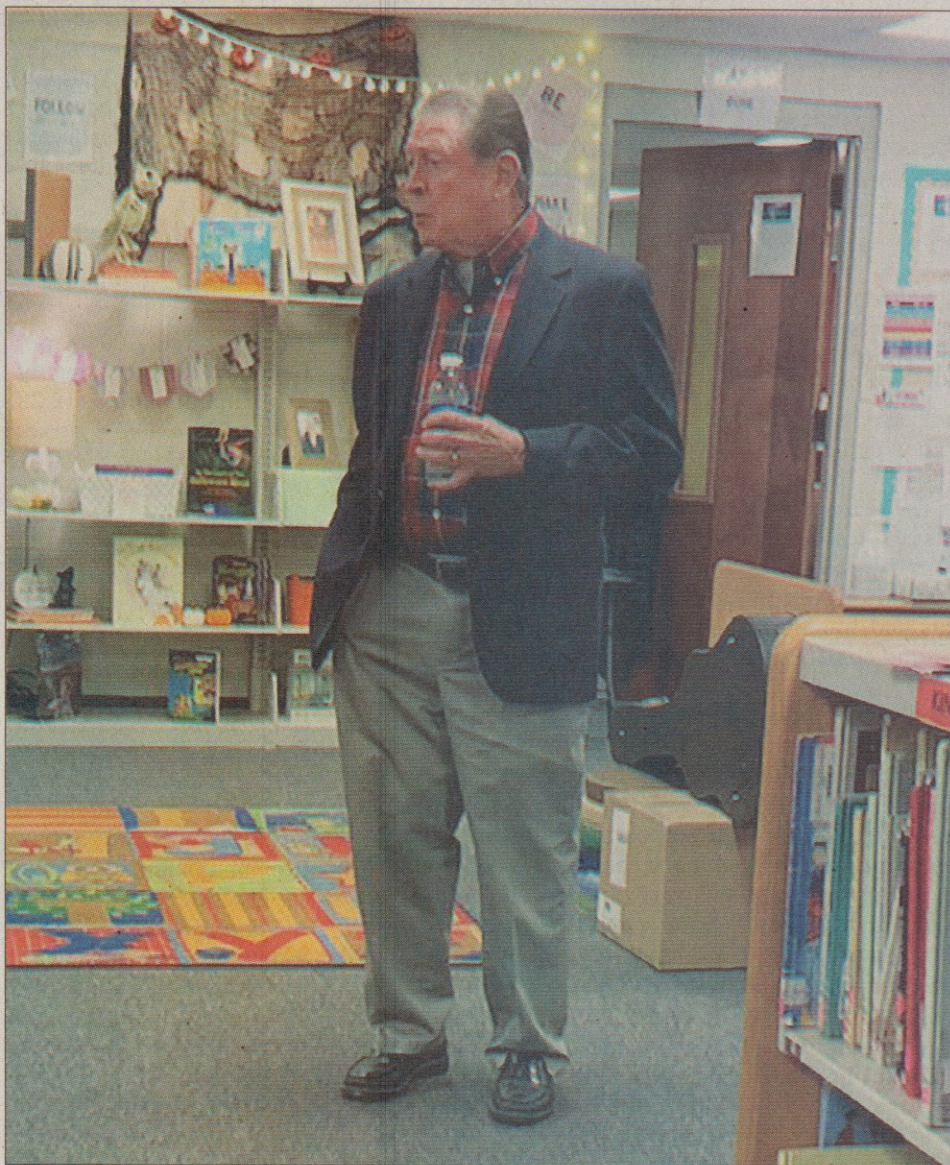
Yelverton at ghy36323@yahoo.com or 334-406-4261.

Area Happenings

HOMEcoming BONFIRE...The Elba High School Homecoming Bonfire and Community Pep Rally will be held Thursday, Oct. 13, at 6:30 p.m. at Tiger Town Park in downtown Elba.

ELBA HIGH SCHOOL WILL CELEBRATE HOMEcoming Friday, Oct 14th. The Homecoming Queen Coronation will be held Friday morning at 9 a.m. followed by a pep rally in the Elba High School stadium. Visitors for the coronation and pep rally will need to sit on the visitor's side of the stadium. EHS will honor the Class of 1992 with a tea Friday at 1 p.m. in the Family and Consumer Science Department. The parade line up will begin at 1:30 with the parade promptly beginning at 3 p.m. The Homecoming Court will be presented Friday evening at 6:30 p.m. followed by the game with Florala at 7 p.m.

AREA HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL ...On Thursday, Oct. 13, the Zion Chapel Rebels will travel to Cottonwood, while on Friday, Oct. 14, the Kinston Bulldogs will host McKenzie, the New Brockton Gamecocks will host Ashford, and the Brantley Bulldogs will host Pleasant Home. Kickoff is set for 7 p.m.



AUTHOR VISITS WITH ELBA STUDENTS...Author and playwright Robert Inman, a native of Elba, Ala., visited Tuesday, Oct. 11, with English Language Arts sixth grade students on Leigh Wicker's class at Elba Elementary School. The students listened intently as Inman described how he became a writer. He also shared some stories of his past that later became stories for his novels. Students were then able to ask questions in order to gain knowledge for their own writing. Inman ended the session by singing a song he has been working on, and students were able to join in with him. On Tuesday evening, Inman was featured during an event held at the Elba Theatre in downtown Elba. "Elba Stories: An Evening with Robert Inman" was co-sponsored by the Caroline Marshall Draughon Center for the Arts and Humanities at Auburn University, the Elba Public Library, and Restoration 154. See group photo on Page 3 of today's paper.

Elba City Council votes to end FEMA flood buyout project from 2015 Christmas Flood

by Linda Hodge, Editor

During the Elba City Council meeting Monday evening, Oct. 10, council members approved a motion to end the FEMA flood buyout program of homes from the 2015 Christmas flood in Elba. The reason cited to end the buyout program was lack of funds to continue.

Code enforcement officer Bryson Dear reported that 41 structures had been purchased in the FEMA buyout project, and 40 of those structures had been demolished. He said the one that had not been destroyed yet had just recently been purchased.

"It has been a pretty substantial project," Dear said. "In many cases demolition has cost us much more than

anticipated."

He added that higher demolition costs for many was due to asbestos in the structure.

City clerk Sally Bane added that to date Elba has expended \$682,176.06 in local match funds on the FEMA buyout project. She said the overall cost of the project had been approximately \$3.7 million.

Early on in the project, Dear said the homes being purchased and demolished with the project were those that received major damage and were owner-occupied. Now, however, he said the project is down to the homes that received only minor damages and were renter occupied.

Beyond the Tier 1 homes – the major damage, owner occupied homes – Dear said

he feels the project has hurt the city more than anything because of the substantial costs and by abandoning homes that might could have been saved.

At this point in the project, Dear said he was not a fan of the FEMA buyout program, and recommended the city consider ending that project. He said he felt like he could better serve the city in utilizing code enforcement for structures rather than the buyout program.

After a lengthy discussion, council member Johnathan Lockett made a motion to end the FEMA flood buyout project from the 2015 flood. Council member Jane Brunson supplied a second to the motion, and it passed by unanimous consent.



YOUTH FOOTBALL ACTION...The Elba Parks and Recreation will host youth football action this Saturday, Oct. 15, beginning at 8:30 a.m. at Elba's Tiger Stadium on the Elba City Schools campus. The Elba Mini Mites, Termites and Pee Wee teams will be competing against Arton on Saturday. Also featured will be cheerleaders for all age groups. Last Saturday, Oct. 8, the Elba Mini Mites won their game 28-6 over New Brockton. Above, Jace Mitchell (#8) is shown breaking a long run for a touchdown in that game.

EDITORIAL

BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

"A smile is the shortest distance between two people."
– Victor Borge

Museum treasures from Ukraine are being stolen on a wholesale basis. We saw a picture of one historic 1500-year-old golden tiara encrusted with precious stones by master craftsmen from the rule of Attila the Hun that was considered "priceless" and one of the world's most valuable artifacts.

South Dakota Governor Republican Kristi Noem is considered a shoo in for re-election this year. However, Noem, with national ambitions, is getting some negative feedback from Democrats because she spends lots of time politicking outside her home state. However she can take some comfort from former Alabama governor, the late George Wallace. He had those national ambitions and got criticism for his travels outside Alabama, but apparently it only helped his cause back home, because he kept winning re-election.

'Ranked Choice Voting' is the new kid on the block and being promoted by a growing segment of American voters. Here is how it works: Say there are five candidates running for a particular office. You have your favorite but also worry about 'what if' your favorite doesn't win which one would you want in the office. Well, that is where the ranked choice comes into play. You also vote for a second choice (and maybe a third). If your first choice doesn't win, then your second-choice vote comes into play and on down the line. Alaska is now using this election method. There are pros and cons to this and frankly it would take some effort on our part getting comfortable with such a plan.

Elba's recycling program is closed after the private contractor handling the project terminated the contract with the City, citing labor shortages and rising expenses (including gasoline). City officials have not committed when (or if) they will reopen the recycling. They will only say they are looking at the options while anguishing over the estimated cost of restarting the program with City of Elba equipment and personnel. Personally, this has hit us a low blow as we consider ourselves avid recyclers. This past weekend we were filled with guilt at disposing of an empty peanut butter jar without washing it out. The same Monday with an empty grape juice jar. For lack of any other plan, both went into the garbage can.

We have made countless photos of automobile wrecks in the past 60 plus years and sympathized with those in the wrecks. Last Wednesday morning we were on the other side of the camera. The van was totaled but we had not a scratch. Things like that can happen so fast . . . it is amazing. More to the point . . . we were at fault. Our long-range plans were to drive that vehicle a while longer and then look at the market, either an all-electric if they get the range up and/or the recharge time down to a few minutes. Otherwise we would look at one of those that use both electric and the traditional gasoline engines. That plan now is out the window!

Be safe, wear your mask when appropriate, social distance, wash your hands AND get the shot(s) and/or boosters (the newest one)!

Alabama health organizations strongly encourage getting a flu shot

The Alabama Department of Public Health, the Alabama Hospital Association, the Medical Association of the State of Alabama, and Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Alabama are encouraging Alabamians to get a flu shot with the **No Time for Flu** campaign.

Helpful information and additional resources to help stop the spread of the flu

can be found on the **No Time for Flu** website at <https://www.alabama-publichealth.gov/flu/campaign.html>

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends everyone six months and older get a flu vaccination as early as possible, preferably in September or October; however, getting vaccinated anytime during

the flu season can provide protection as the vaccine can help reduce the risk of flu and associated hospitalizations and deaths.

Some of facts according to the CDC:

- One person with the flu can infect other people one day before any symptoms develop, and up to approximately seven days after a person becomes sick.

- The virus can spread to others up to six feet away, mainly when people cough, sneeze or talk.

- The flu causes U.S. employees to miss approximately 17 million work-days at an estimated \$7 billion a year in sick days and lost productivity.

- The latest information available from the CDC

regarding the effectiveness of the flu is from 2019-2020 when the vaccine was estimated to have prevented approximately 6,300 deaths.

The statewide organizations also want to remind the public that simply hygiene efforts, such as washing your hands, covering your mouth and nose when coughing or sneezing and staying home when you're sick can also help protect against the flu.

To learn more about flu prevention and for other helpful resources go to <https://www.alabama-publichealth.gov/flu/campaign.html>

For additional questions about the flu, please contact your physician.

Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, between Tuesday, Oct. 4, 2022, and Monday, Oct. 10, 2022, conducted the following activity:

Tuesday, Oct. 4 – Suspicious vehicle reported at 14632 Hwy 84 (7:21 a.m.); Civil complaint reported at 610 N Troy Hwy (12:00 p.m.); Drug activity reported at 343 Brunson Circle (12:28 p.m.); Reckless driver reported on Hwy 84 (1:41 p.m.). Six traffic stops resulted in four citations, and two verbal warnings.

Wednesday, Oct. 5 – Suspicious vehicle reported at 715 Troy Hwy (12:22 a.m.); Criminal mischief reported at 3225 Hwy 141 (3:32 a.m.); Vehicle fire reported at 31691 Hwy 84 (5:21 a.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported on Carver Dr (1:30 p.m.); Animal complaint reported at 130 Stroud Ave – w/ impound (2:28 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 14744 Hwy 87 (9:05 p.m.). Eight traffic stops resulted in three written warnings, four citations, and one verbal warning.

Thursday, Oct. 6 – Shoplifter reported at 990 Hwy 203 (8:55 a.m.); Trespassing reported at 2209 Taylor Mill Rd (9:33 a.m.); Lost/Found property reported at 343 Brunson Circle (5:08 p.m.); Assault reported on Stoudemire St (10:11 p.m.). Six traffic stops resulted in two written warnings, three verbal warnings, and one arrest.

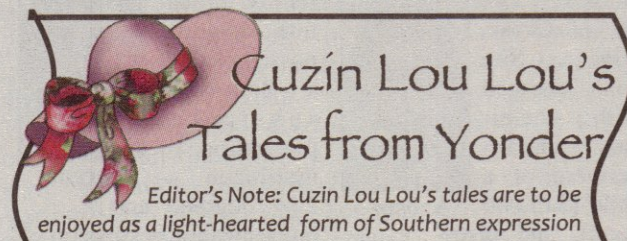
Friday, Oct. 7 – Harassment reported at 221 E Davis St (7:41 a.m.); Theft of property reported at 475 Hwy 203 (9:08

a.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported on Hwy 203 – w/ citation issued (10:12 a.m.); Theft of property reported to Elba Police (11:30 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 1018 Martin Luther King Dr (2:33 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 1013 Hickman Ave (6:53 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported to Elba Police (7:37 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 332 Simmons St (11:43 p.m.). Five traffic stops resulted in two written warnings, and three citations.

Saturday, Oct. 8 – Reckless driver reported on Hwy 87 (7:28 a.m.); Trespassing reported at 1190 Highland Dr (4:39 p.m.); Harassment reported on Claxton Ave N (8:55 p.m.). Seven traffic stops resulted in five written warnings, one citation, and one verbal warning.

Sunday, Oct. 9 – Suspicious person reported on Hwy 87 (9:45 a.m.). Seven traffic stops resulted in two written warnings, and five citations.

Monday, Oct. 10 – Animal complaint reported at 4070 Hwy 134, Kinston (11:54 a.m.); Traffic accident reported at intersection of Larkin Rd and Hickman Ave (2:02 p.m.); Vehicle fire reported on County Rd 505 (2:52 p.m.); Drug activity reported at intersection of Larkin Rd and Hickman Ave (3:16 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported on Highland Dr (9:02 p.m.); Report of shots fired on Farris Ave (9:58 p.m.). One traffic stop resulted in advice given.



Editor's Note: Cuzin Lou Lou's tales are to be enjoyed as a light-hearted form of Southern expression

Papa is not a happy camper this week! More directly...Papa is downright cranky this week! However, Cuzin Lou Lou and Sister are not to blame for Papa's current mood...believe it or not!

Papa made a visit to his endocrinologist earlier this week. It was to be a routine check-up for a thyroid condition in which he controls with a medication, but he got more than he bargained for on this trip.

While things were good with Papa's thyroid numbers, well, the doctor had some not-so-good news regarding Papa's sugar levels. His numbers were way too high, and that resulted in a phone call to Papa the following day letting him know he would begin a treatment for diabetes.

Anyone who knows Papa knows this was a deflating phone call for him to receive. Papa loves his cookies and ice cream!

Cuzin Lou Lou just happened to stroll through right after Papa received the dreaded phone call and news. As he was explaining to her his new condition, she quickly grabbed up a box of cookies sitting on the counter and announced, "I'll just take these to the office for you."

Papa frowned, but he agreed it was probably the best thing. His response was, "yeah, I guess that will keep me from eating them."

Papa's diagnosis now has two of three Yonder gang folks watching their sugar levels. That leaves only Lou Lou still able to eat sweetened treats as she wishes. Good news is that Lou Lou is not a big "sweet eater" but she still worries her days may be numbered too unless she makes some changes right along with Papa and Sister.

So, it looks like healthy eating is going to become a priority at the Yonder Gang's house. Lou Lou feels like she and Sister will adjust nicely. It may not be so easy for Papa. He likes to eat, and he likes to eat what he wants when he wants...breakfast, lunch, dinner, and SNACKS!

Big fella in for some even bigger changes...

And, that means he's gonna be cranky! So, if you see Papa and he isn't carrying his normal happy-go-lucky smile...well, he's adjusting! Throw him some words of encouragement...just don't throw in a Snickers bar with that encouragement!

Until next time...God Bless and Keep Smiling!

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Robert Inman is pictured here with the sixth grade students from Leigh Wicker's class that he met with Tuesday, Oct. 11, at Elba Elementary School. The students were thrilled to learn from the author/playwright as he shared stories with them.

ELBA

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The Coffee County Farm-City Committee will conduct its annual Peanut Boil during Elba's Pumpkins on the Square.

In relation to trick-or-treating for children at Halloween, Mayor Tom Maddox said he had been approached by some citizens for the city to designate a separate time from Pumpkins on the Square to allow for neighborhood trick-or-treating in Elba. After a brief discussion, the council voted to approve Saturday, Oct. 29, from 5:30-7:30 p.m. as the official neighborhood trick-or-treat time for the City of Elba.

Citizens wanting to participate in this trick-or-treat time are asked to leave their porch light on for the trick-or-treaters. Those not wanting to participate are asked to make sure their porch light is off during this time.

The Elba City Council and Elba Water and Electric Board will hold a joint workshop on Tuesday, Oct. 18, at 5:30 p.m., to discuss the Fiscal Year 2023 budgets.

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Teen Suicide

According to the CDC, suicide is the third leading cause of death for teenagers in the United States. The report also states that for every teen who dies by suicide, more than two dozen attempt suicide.

Suicide amongst teenagers is not a new concern but rates have been rising in the last decade. This rise is somewhat attributed to the growing importance of social media in the lives of teenagers. Social media has been a great tool for people to connect with each other but social networks have taken the age-old issue of bullying and made it much worse. It is easier to lob vicious insults and attacks at people online than it is in real life.

Bullying is one of the largest factors that drives teenagers and young people to end their own lives. Cyber-bullying is famously difficult to stop or even to prosecute. It is very easy to create accounts, hide and encrypt messages and disguise where messages came from online. This makes it difficult if not impossible to bring cyberbullies to justice.

If you suspect your teen or someone close to your family is the victim of bullying, encourage them to keep screenshots and receipts of messages received. These will be useful if a case is made to the school or to the police if the situation is escalated further. Take any and all claims of bullying seriously and address them immediately. If your teen expresses feelings of being depressed, sad or even apathetic... be supportive... simply being there for them can make all the difference.

There are resources available to help teens through difficult times like the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline (1-800-273-8255) or even just local support groups through schools, churches and community groups. No teen has to face the horrors of bullying or the oppressive nature of cruel thoughts alone: there is hope.

If you would like a free funeral decisions guide, please email me at
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Obituaries

Obits are updated regularly on our website: www.elba-clipper.com

JIMMY D STEVENS

Mr. Jimmy D Stevens, age 84, died Friday, Oct. 7, 2022, in Huntsville, Ala.

Jimmy graduated with a B.S. degree in civil engineering from Auburn University. He started his career with the US Army Corps of Engineers. Starting as a college co-op, worked in the Mobile District, Ft. Rucker as the Resident Engineer and in Huntsville as Redstone Arsenal Resident Engineer and Area Engineer at the North Alabama Area Office. He worked on many construction and waterway projects but was proudest of his work constructing the Sparkman Center, and millions of dollars in projects at Redstone Arsenal.

Jimmy married the love of his life, Evelyn Arline Whisenant, in 1964. They raised two sons and one daughter.

Visitation will be Friday, Oct. 14, 2022, from 1 to 2 p.m. at Laughlin Service Funeral Home with the service following at 2 p.m. in the chapel. The graveside service will follow at Huntsville Memory Gardens.

Jimmy was preceded in death by his parents, Sidney and Grace Stevens, and sister, June Stevens Brown, of Zion Chapel, Ala.

Survivors include his wife of 58 years: Evelyn Whisenant Stevens; his three children: Jimmy Stevens Jr., Cheryl (Ken) Hovanes, and John (Sherri) Stevens; his grandchildren: Joshua and Emma Hovanes; and a sister: Anne Stevens Boothe (Alan).

In lieu of flowers, Jimmy's wish was for donations to be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

JOHN DENNIS ROGERS

Mr. John Dennis Rogers, age 58, of New Brockton, Ala., died Tuesday, Oct. 4, 2022, at his home in New Brockton.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Oct. 8, 2022, from the Chapel of Hayes Funeral Home in Elba with Rev. Steve Watson and Rev. Kevin

Kelley officiating.

John was preceded in death by his father - James Olen Rogers; mother - Minnie Ina Rogers; brothers - James Rogers, Bob Rogers and Rickey Rogers.

Survivors include his wife: Gracie Louise Rogers, New Brockton; daughter: Erin Lyn (Connor) O'Gorman, Calera, Ala.; son: Jonathan Olen (Jessica) Rogers, Elba; grandson: Jonathan Olen Rogers Jr., Elba; sisters: Dianne (Chester) Sexton, New Brockton, and Sandra Henderson, Elba; brothers: Donald Ray (Judy) Rogers, Charles (Betty Sue) Rogers, Doug Rogers, Mike (June) Rogers, Paul (Sonya) Rogers, all of Elba; nieces: Amy (Josh) Taylor, Kelsey (Aaron) Smith, both of Elba, and Katie Rogers, Enterprise, Ala.; great nephew: Dalton Rogers, Elba; and numerous nieces and nephews.

TERRY WAYNE HUDSON

Mr. Terry Wayne Hudson, age 65, died unexpectedly Saturday, Oct. 8, 2022, at his home in Elba, Ala.

A memorial service was held Wednesday, Oct. 12, 2022, at 2 p.m., from Basin Baptist Church with Rev. Sam Self officiating. The family received visitors at Basin Baptist Church for one hour prior to the service. Coleman Funeral and Crematory of Elba directed the services.

Terry was preceded in death by his wife, Phyllis Hudson; sister, Kelia Fleming; brother, James Hudson; and parents, Roland and Lorener Hudson.

Survivors include his two children: Chris Hudson

(Destiny), and Paige Hudson; grandchildren: Tanner Hudson (Ashlynn), Kate Hudson, Hillary Hudson, Daniele Pridgen (Mason Cherch), Rylee Pridgen, Lillie-Grace Hudson; great-granddaughter: Delanie Reagan Cherch; sister: Barbara Stewart (Ken); and a special nephew, Scotty Moulton.

LARRY FARRIS REEVES

Mr. Larry Farris Reeves, age 64, died Sunday, Sept. 25, 2022, unexpectedly at his home in the Basin Community of Coffee County, Ala.

Larry was preceded in death by his parents, Carlton and Lenora Reeves.

Survivors include his wife, Cindy Reeves and daughter, Amanda Reeves; along with his siblings, Linda Farris, Rachel Barbaree, Billy Reeves, Cathy Odom, and Judy Johnson.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the New Home Cemetery Fund, c/o Keith Boutwell, 3290 County Road 415, Elba, AL 36323.

HORACE FRANKLIN KNIGHT

Mr. Horace Franklin Knight, age 89, of Opp, Ala., died Thursday night, Oct. 6, 2022, in an Opp hospital.

Funeral arrangements will be announced upon completion by Hayes Funeral Home of Elba, Ala.



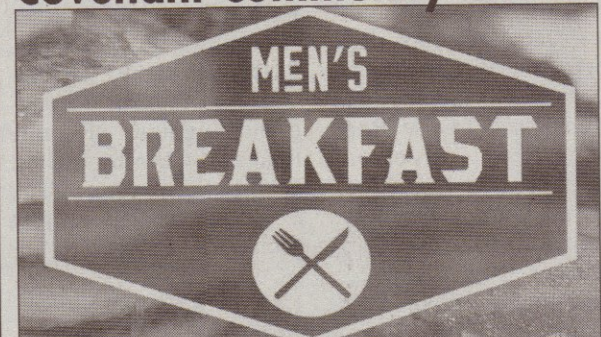
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PASTOR'S CORNER

by Kit Johnson, Pastor

First Baptist Church of Elba

Removing Distractions

"A distracted existence leads us to no goal." Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

"You will never reach your destination if you stop and throw stones at every dog that barks." Winston Churchill

A conversation recently required me to open my email where I thought I would quickly find the information needed in an email I had intentionally marked as unread. To my surprise and frustration, I discovered that hundreds of previously deleted junk emails were now marked as unread and in my inbox. Needless to say, I scrolled past the email I needed half a dozen times before locating it amongst all the useless content. As I was detailing my struggle to the individual waiting for me to provide the content, I realized my faith journey has been subject to similar distractions.

Luke 10:38-42 contrast the focus of two sisters, Mary and Martha. "Mary sat at the Lord's feet, listening to what He taught. But Martha was distracted by the big dinner she was preparing." Mary was commended for her actions and Martha was corrected. I love a big dinner and hospitality is encouraged, but they should not distract from what or who is most important. Jesus Christ and our relationship with Him.

Those emails were not "bad" per say, but they distracted me from what I needed most. What did I do? I unsubscribed from multiple retailers and news outlets. I moved all the junk to its proper place.

What can we do in our faith journey? Hebrews 12:1-2, "...let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of faith..." Don't be distracted by the barking dogs or anything else this world offers.

Military Support Group Meetings:

Enterprise Military Support Group meets on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. Anyone who needs to talk about difficult experiences and needs an understanding friend is invited. Meetings at Church on Boll Weevil Circle, 2017 Boll Weevil Circle, Enterprise, Ala.

"Blessing of the Animals" planned for

Sunday, Oct. 16, at Elba's city dog park. Citizens are encouraged to bring their pets, all are welcome, to the city dog park this Sunday, Oct. 16, from 4-4:30 p.m. for the Blessing of the Animals. The city dog park is located next to TigerTown Park in downtown Elba.



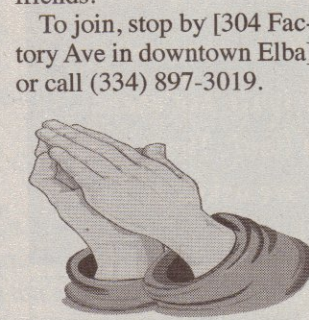
Elba Community Thanksgiving Service planned for Nov. 20th

The Elba Ministerial Alliance will have a Thanksgiving Service on Sunday, Nov. 20, at 6 p.m., at Elba United Methodist Church. All clergy and churches are invited to take part in this time of thanksgiving. For those who would like to participate or have questions, contact Rev. Steve Reneau from Elba United Methodist Church at (334) 201-6671.

Seniors encouraged to join the fun at the Elba Senior Citizens Center

Donna Falls, director of the Elba Senior Citizens Center, encourages all seniors age 60 and older to attend the Elba Senior Citizens Center.

Along with nutritious meals 5-days-per-week, Falls works with seniors to help them apply for several programs that they may qualify. To become a center participant, attendance is not based on income. The Elba Senior Citizens Center is a social place for any senior citizen to come have fun and find or make new friends.



Does Your Church Have Fall Events Planned?

Let us help you spread the word.

Email your news to:

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Round and About With Eria's Daughter



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Scripture: The assured judgement of the wicked. Psalm 59: 1-17

Thinking of You! Praying for You.

Lydia M. Kelley, Lydia Wanda Family, Monalisa Green, Ragland Family, Emanuel Stalworth, Michael Manning, Wiley Brooks, Theo Johnson, Belinda Ordon, Belcher/Williams Families

October Birthdays / Anniversaries

Robert (Moe) Edwards 10/11
Minnie Reynolds 10/11 (in memory)
Emmanuel Stallworth 10/13
Asja Jolie Rudolph 10/14
A.Z. Stoudmire 10/16
Barbara Tillis 10/17
Minnie J. Andrews 10/17 (in memory)
Eric Culver 10/17
Malachi Lee 10/18
Sara Stoudmire 10/19
Jeanette Tillis 10/20

Who Were "the Needy" Then?

Jesus' opponents fancied themselves to be experts in the law of Moses and the books of the prophets. They sought to apply those laws zealously to every aspect of life.

In that process, however, they lost sight of the God who gave the law. They became deaf and blind to His initiatives. Standing before them was the greatest of God's prophets – and more. He stood head and shoulders above Moses and the prophets. God was present in the world as He has not been before. In Jesus all the law and the prophets come to fulfillment.

Yet, many Pharisees and Scribes did not see this. Their love of power and wealth left them insensitive. So when Jesus rose from the dead, many still did not believe. Those who looked down on the poor could justify their attitude

by misreadings of text such as Proverbs 13: 18; 20:4;24:33, 34, etc.

In ignoring the physically needy, they missed seeing the most spiritually needy: themselves. – Standard Publishing (part of the David C Cook Family)

Question / Answer Section

Q/A for the Week of 10/13/22

Multiple Choice

Q: The Lord's decent on Sinai was accompanied by what? (hail, fire, or wind)

A: Fire – Exodus 19:18

Q: At the heart of Israel's worship was to be an altar of what? (gold, silver, earth)

A: Earth – Exodus 20:24

Q: David's predecessor as King was who? (Saul, Samuel, Solomon)

A: Saul – 2 Samuel 7:15

Thought to Remember

We can only bring change to the extent that we let God change us.

Questions for the Week of 10/20/22

Fill in the Blanks

Q: Paul exhorted the Ephesians to keep the _____ of the _____ in the bond

of peace.

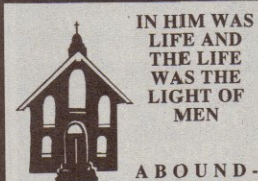
Q: Daniel asked that he and his _____ be given food other than the King's for _____ days.

Today is a good day! Be grateful.

Eria's Daughter, Sue

**ATTEND
THE CHURCH
OF YOUR
CHOICE THIS
SUNDAY!**

Church Directory



IN HIM WAS
LIFE AND
THE LIFE
WAS THE
LIGHT OF
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ABOUT
ING GRACE

COMMUNITY CHURCH
Rockey Pearce, Pastor
Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service ... 5:00 p.m.

ABUNDANT LIFE CHURCH
Samson, Ala. Richard Thora Sr., Pastor
Morn. Worship ... 10:30 a.m.
Wed. Night Service 7:00 p.m.

ALBERTON BAPTIST CHURCH
Harry Driggers, Pastor
Sunday School ... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship ... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH
Sam Self, Pastor
Sunday School ... 9:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 10:30 a.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet. 6:30 p.m.

BETHEL AME CHURCH
Deborah A. Butler, Pastor
Sunday School ... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study ... 6:00 p.m.

BETHLEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School ... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 11:30 a.m.
Wed. Bible Class ... 6:30 p.m.

BETHANY BAPTIST CHURCH
Greg Cotter, Pastor
Sunday School ... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 10:00 a.m.
Disciple Train ... 5:30 p.m.
Even. Worship ... 6:30 p.m.

BLUFF SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School ... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship ... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

BROOKLYN BAPTIST CHURCH
Robert Davis, Pastor
Sunday School ... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship ... 6:00 p.m.

CHESTNUT GROVE METHODIST CHURCH
Remondia Smith, Pastor
Church Service ... 9:00 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays
Sunday School ... 9:00 a.m.
1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays
Sunday School ... 10:00 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays

CORNERSTONE BIBLE CHURCH
Larry Mills, Pastor
Sunday School ... 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Night ... 7:00 p.m.

COVENANT COMMUNITY CHURCH
Paul Jackson, Pastor
Sunday Fellowship 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship ... 10:00 a.m.
Wed. Night "Peak of the Week & meal ... 5:30 p.m.
Bible Study & Prayer ... 6:15 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

DAMASCUS BAPTIST CHURCH
Steve Watson, Pastor
Sunday School ... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship ... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

DORCAS BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School ... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Discipleship Training 5:00 p.m.
Even. Worship ... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet. 7:00 p.m.

1st ASSEMBLYS OF GOD - KINSTON
Dunay Bradshaw, Pastor
Sunday School ... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study ... 7:00 p.m.

FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH
Scott Donaldson, Pastor
Sunday School ... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship ... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

FRIENDSHIP HOLINESS CHURCH
Edward E. Drake, Pastor
Sunday School ... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening ... 5:00 p.m.

GODS POWER HOUSE EVANGELISTIC CHURCH
Overseers - Billy Berry
Sat. Service ... 6:00 p.m.
Sun. Service ... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service ... 4:00 p.m.

GRACE FELLOWSHIP
John Curtis Isaacs, Pastor
Sunday School ... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service ... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service ... 7:00 p.m.

GREATER NEW ZION BAPTIST CHURCH
Jeremie Turner, Sr. Pastor
Sunday School ... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study ... 6:00 p.m.

HARRIS TEMPLE COGIC
W. K. Ellison, Pastor
Sunday School ... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Service ... 6:00 p.m.

MT. GILEAD BAPTIST CHURCH
Dewey Emfinger, Pastor
Sunday School ... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship ... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet. 6:30 p.m.

MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH
Olson Strickland, Pastor
Sunday School ... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship ... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet. 6:30 p.m.

NEW HAVEN BAPTIST CHURCH
Lanny Shepard, Pastor
Sunday School ... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service ... 5:30 p.m.
Fri. Missionary Ser. 7:00 p.m.

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST
Pastor Bishop E.H. Hill
Sunday School ... 10:00 a.m.
Noon Worship ... 12 noon
Even. Service ... 7:00 p.m.
Youth Ser. Mon. ... 7:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Class ... 7:00 p.m.
Fri. Missionary Ser. 7:00 p.m.

THE WAY OF HOLINESS CHURCH
Elba, Elba
Max Reed, Minister
Sunday School ... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 11:30 a.m.
Tuesday Bible Class 7:00 p.m.

TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH
C.P. Davis, Pastor
Sunday School ... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service ... 5:45 p.m.
Wed. Worship ... 7:00 p.m.
Wed. Night Service 6:00 p.m.

VANDERBILT HOLINESS CHURCH
Donald Mills, Pastor
Sunday School ... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service ... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Night Service 6:00 p.m.

VICTORIA BAPTIST CHURCH
Shayne Allen, Pastor
Sunday School ... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service ... 5:45 p.m.
Wed. Worship ... 7:00 p.m.

VICTORY TABERNACLE CHURCH
Ruby Lawson, Pastor
Morn. Worship ... 10:30 a.m.
Even. Service ... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet. 7:00 p.m.

WESTSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH
Ken Wilson, Pastor
Sunday School ... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service ... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet. 6:30 p.m.

WHITEWATER BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School ... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service ... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet. 6:30 p.m.

WISE MILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Dustin Wisecarver, Pastor
Sunday School ... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service ... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

WOODLAND GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH
Donnie Marler, Pastor
Sunday School ... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service ... 5:30 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet. 7:00 p.m.

WOOTEN CHAPEL ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH
Mike Medley, Pastor
Sunday School ... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service ... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service ... 7:00 p.m.

ZION CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH
Cary Maulden, Pastor
Sunday School ... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service ... 6:00 p.m.

ELBA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Steve Reneau, Pastor
Sunday School ... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service ... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service ... 6:30 p.m.

ELBA FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Kit Johnson, Pastor
Sunday School ... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service ... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service ... 6:30 p.m.

ELBA ZION BAPTIST CHURCH
Lovell Martin, Pastor
Sunday School ... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service ... 6:00 p.m.

HEBRON BAPT. CHURCH
Mark Cooper, Pastor
Sunday School ... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service ... 6:30 p.m.
Wed. Even. Meeting 7:00 p.m.

HOLY TEMPLE COGIC
Glenwood, AL
Sunday Prayer ... 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School ... 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service ... 11:00 a.m.

INO ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Weley D. Ard, Pastor
Sunday School ... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service ... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m.

INO BAPTIST CHURCH
Garry Winstead, Pastor
Sunday School ... 8:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service ... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m.

JACK ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Matthew Morris, Pastor
Sunday School ... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service ... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:15 p.m.

KINSTON 1st BAPT CHURCH
Jonathan Jenkins, Pastor
Sunday School ... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service ... 5:00 p.m.

NEW BROCKTON METHODIST CHURCH
Dr. Craig Bailey, Pastor
Sunday School ... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship ... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study ... 6:30 p.m.

NEW CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH
Terry Godwin, Pastor
Sunday School ... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Bible Study ... 5:00 p.m.
Even. Worship ... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet. 6:00 p.m.

NEW EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH
Randall Pearson, Pastor
Sunday School ... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship ... 5:30 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet. 6:00 p.m.

NEW GLORIOUS COGIC
James Starks Jr., Pastor
Sunday School ... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship ... 6:00 p.m.
Bib Stud Wed. ... 6:00 p.m.

NEW HAVEN BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School ... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Worship ... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet. 6:30 p.m.

NEW HAVEN ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH
Brad Sasser, Pastor
Sunday School ... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service ... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

NEW HOPE BAPT CHURCH
Lanny Shepard, Pastor
Sunday School ... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service ... 5:30 p.m.
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Sunday School ... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.

To Update Your Church Listing, please call us at (334) 897-2823!



ELBA SCHOOL NEWS

Student-Athlete Spotlight

by Conner Herrington
and Paris Tyson



Brooke Tinsley
Grade: 11th Age: 16

What sports do you play at EHS and for how long? Volleyball- 1 year and Basketball- 4 years

What is your favorite part of being on a team at EHS? I get to learn new things about the sports I play and grow as a player, and be a better person.

What is some advice you would give to younger players? When things get tough don't quit, take a breath and try again.

Who is your role model and why? My brother, Alex Wright. He's my role model because he is dedicated to his craft and works hard, he's also respectful, well spoken, and humble.

Support Our Youth and Education!



Several EHS students had the opportunity to learn about the Alabama Suicide Prevention and Resource Coalition during a recent visit by the coalition to Elba High School.

Alabama Suicide Prevention and Resources Coalition visits EHS

by Sarah Burke,
Hailey Burke & Faith Burke

On Friday, Sept. 30, the Alabama Suicide Prevention and Resources Coalition [ASPARC] was at Elba High School to promote Mental Health Awareness and Suicide Prevention Month.

The ASPARC program was sponsored in conjunction by the South Central Mental Health, Elba Chamber of Commerce and Elba High School.

Initial training was done with the school's counselors, nurses and the School Resource Officer. Several

students also had the opportunity to learn about the organization and heard about the types of help and support that are available to those who need help or guidance.

The training went so well that the ASPARC plans to return in the future to work with the entire faculty, student body, parents and the community.

The ASPARC is a fully-fledged non-profit organization that educates people within the state of Alabama on basic suicide prevention techniques and strategies. The organization was started in 1998.

Faculty Spotlight

by Ivony Myrick, Ma'Kiyah Hooks & Paisley Tillery

Name: Melissa Johnson
Subject/Grade Level you teach: 9th grade Spanish and ESL K-12th

How many years have you been teaching? 5 years
Where did you go to college? Lurleen B Wallace Community College, Troy University, University of Alabama at Birmingham.

What is your degree? Bachelor of Arts in Spanish, pursuing Masters in English as a Second Language.

Tell us about your family: I have been married to my better half Kit Johnson for seven years. He is the pastor of First Baptist Church Elba and a recruiter in the Alabama National Guard. We have two little girls 23 months apart that absolutely love each other. Elizabeth (3) has a big personality but is very strong willed. Church is her favorite place. Emmalyn (1) is a busy body but loves to be held. She loves to sing and dance with her big sister.

What do you love about EHS? After teaching for four years in Enterprise, I longed for the family feel of a small town. I loved my job but I jumped at the opportunity to teach in the town we love. Elba High School has brought so much joy to my heart. I have made friendships that will last a lifetime. I felt welcomed, loved, and like part of the family since day one. Elba High School has also given me an amazing opportunity. I tell my classmates in graduate school that I feel like I get the best of both worlds. I get to teach a language that I love but I also get to help students become proficient in English. I am passionate about both roles.

What do you like to do in your free time? During my free time I love spending time with family and friends, traveling, shopping, and serving alongside my husband at FBC Elba. I love taking random trips to the zoo or beach with my little girls and catching a Braves game with my husband.

What is the most rewarding part of your job? I love helping my students feel valued and know they are capable. Learning a new language is not easy and seeing the excitement on their faces when they



Melissa Johnson

realize hard work pays off brings so much joy to my heart. At the end of the semester their grade means so much to them because they know THEY earned it.

What is the one thing you hope your students learn from you? Learning does not matter as much as how they use what they've learned to serve others. I try to teach my students more than just Spanish. I stress being respectful and always doing the right thing even if it's hard.

What is your favorite quote? "The only person you should try to be better than, is the person you were yesterday." - Matty Mullens



These Elba students recently participated in an acting master class provided through a partnership with Auburn University. The class was taught by Auburn assistant professor Abdul-Khaliq Murtadha.

EHS choral department students participate in acting master class through Auburn University partnership

by Keelie Moseley

Through a partnership with Auburn University, Assistant Professor Abdul-Khaliq Murtadha recently gave an acting master class to students involved in the Choral Department at Elba High School.

Abdul-Khaliq Murtadha, along with his teaching responsibilities at Auburn University, is both a professional stage actor and TV star with credits including NCIS:LA, All My Children,

and Numb3rs. He shared his acting expertise with EHS students and helped them perfect some of their own skills.

Choral student and 9th grader Jalin Horstead said, "The class was very educational and it was a great experience to train with a professional actor. I feel like the tips and instructions he gave us will help me in the future".

Some of the acting activities that the students were able to participate in are

Assassins and 1 minute interview. Overall the students were so excited to work on acting skills that they can use for many plays to come.

SHOP ELBA FIRST!



It's Homecoming Week at Elba High School!

by Clayton Parker & Conner Herrington

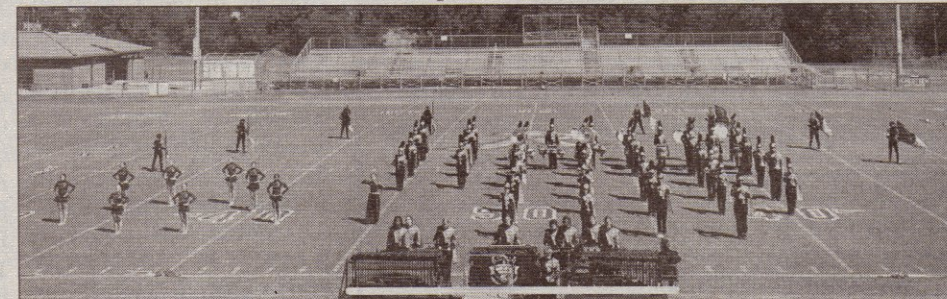
Elba High School students have worked hard the past week to get everything ready for this year's Homecoming, Top Gun: TIGERS.

The yearbook staff has organized a "Top Gun" Photo Booth located in the commons area. Here students have taken pictures for the yearbook pages. Decorations line the halls and the commons area. Students par-

ticipated in events including dress up days for each individual day of the week.

On Friday morning, Oct. 14, a Pep Rally will be hosted by the cheerleaders in which the Homecoming Attendants will be presented. This will be followed by a Homecoming Parade before the actual game that night.

Following the Homecoming Game, Elba High School will be hosting a Homecoming Dance for the students.



Elba Marching Tigers complete competition season

by Keelie Moseley

The Elba High School Marching Tiger Band has been busy so far this year.

On Saturday, Sept. 24, the Elba High School Marching Tiger Band competed in the Rehoboth Band Festival. The band received all ones in every category.

One week later on Saturday, Oct. 1, the Marching Tiger Band also competed in the Andalusia

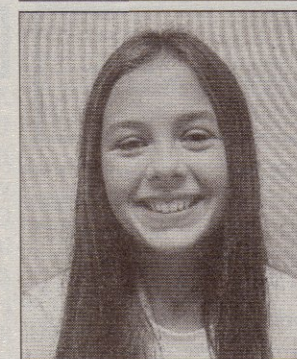
Band Competition. When it came to awards the band brought home Best in Class in Percussion and Danceline. The Marching Tigers also brought home all 1's from this competition.

Also, the Marching Tigers enjoy entertaining the football crowds at halftime each week.

Congratulations to the band for a great competition run this year.

Student Spotlight

by Heidi Smith and Emily Mosley



Aubrey Wisecup
Grade: 10th Age: 15

What do you love about EHS? What I love about Elba High School is all of the people here and the activities that students can be involved in.

What do you like to do in your free time? I enjoy spending time with my family, and traveling in my free time.

What clubs & organizations are you involved in at EHS? I am on the Volleyball team and a member of the yearbook staff.

What are your plans for the future? I plan to go to college and become a veterinarian.

What is your favorite subject in school? Math because I love the teacher, Mr. Floyd.



"Good Luck" at Peanut to Miss Elba Zalie McKelvy!
~~ Love, Bella Bane

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Alabama voters are reminded that time is drawing near for the Absentee Election Managers to receive an application for absentee ballot by mail. Voters will have an additional two days to apply for an absentee ballot by hand. Absentee ballot applications can be downloaded online or requested by visiting or calling the local Absentee Election Manager's office. Voters may also contact the Secretary of State's Elections Division at (334) 242-7210 to request an absentee ballot application. Important absentee voting deadlines are listed below:

Nov. 1: Last day absentee ballot applications returned by mail can be received by the Absentee Election Manager.

Nov. 3: Last day absentee ballot applications returned by hand can be received by the Absentee Election Manager.

Nov. 7: Last day an absentee ballot returned by hand can be received by the Absentee Election Manager.

Nov. 8: Absentee ballots returned by mail must be received by the Absentee Election Manager no later than noon.

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Carter's Contracting Services, Inc.
23263 Harmony Church Road
Andalusia, AL 36421
334-222-6670

NOTICE OF COMPLETION

Carter's Contracting Services, Inc., hereby gives notice of completion of a contract with the State of Alabama for construction of Project No. ERPR-9072 (928) in Coffee County, Alabama for Bridge Scour Repairs on CR-107 over Pea River Relief.

This notice will appear for four consecutive weeks beginning on September 22, 2022 and ending on October 13, 2022. Any claims should be filed at 23263 Harmony Church Road, Andalusia, AL 36421, during this period.

CARTER'S CONTRACTING SERVICES, INC.
9/22.29 & 10/6,13-chg

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA
ELBA DIVISION

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF GRACE LEE DRIGGERS, DECEASED

CASE NO: PC-2022-065

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary were granted on September 20, 2022, to Mitchell N. Driggers, as Executor of the Estate of Grace Lee Driggers, deceased, who departed this life on the 7th day of August, 2022, by the Hon. Jodee Rowe Thompson, Judge of Probate.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred. Mitchell N. Driggers, Executor of the Estate of Grace Lee Driggers, Deceased
9/29, 10/6&13-pd.

Notice of Public Sale.

An online sale will be held at www.storagetreasures.com for A-Less Storage Enterprise, Alabama on or after 12:30 p.m. Thursday October 20th, 2022. Personal property of the following units will be sold for cash to satisfy owner's lien for due in accordance with AL Code § 8-15-34

Unit 113-Anita Wohler PRK

10/6,13-pd.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed bids for the construction of **CHAMBER OF COMMERCE RENOVATION** in Elba, Alabama will be received by the **City of Elba** in the meeting room at the City Hall until **10:00 AM, Friday, November 4, 2022**, and then at said location publicly opened and read aloud.

The work under the Base Bid generally consists of the renovation of a portion of the old dime store building to become the chamber of commerce in downtown.

The information for Bidders, Form of Bid, Form of Contract, Plans, Specifications, and form of Bid Bond, Performance and Payment Bond, and other

Contract Documents may be examined at the City Hall of Elba at 200 Buford Street; Elba, Alabama 36323.

To be eligible for consideration, bids must be submitted on complete proposals made available by the Owner. No paper bid documents will be distributed later than 48 hours prior to the scheduled opening of bids. The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any informalities. Each bidder must submit with his bid, security in the amount, form, and subject to the conditions provided in the Information for Bidders. The successful bidder will be required to submit a 100% performance bond and a 50% payment bond.

All bidders must comply with the requirements of the Contractor's Licensing Law of the State of Alabama and be certified for the type of work for which a proposal is submitted. The submission of the Bidders' current State of Alabama license number will be required before his/her bid will be received or considered. No bidder may withdraw his bid within 30 days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

Tom Maddox
Mayor
City of Elba
10/13-chg.

PUBLIC NOTICE:

This letter gives notice of the sale of the vehicles listed below for the purpose of redeeming wrecker service, repair order and storage charges of said vehicles. The following vehicles will be available for sale at Cook Chevrolet Inc. 610 N Troy Rd Elba, AL 36323 **November 04, 2022** at 8:00 a.m.:

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Make Nissan
Model Sentra
VIN
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10/13,20-chg

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA
ELBA DIVISION

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF JOHN G. FOLEY
Deceased

CASE NO: PC 2022-066

NOTICE OF GRANTING OF LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted to Chris Foley, as Personal Representative of the Estate of John G. Foley, deceased, on the 4th day of October, 2022, by the Honorable Jodee Rowe Thompson, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Chris Foley
Chris Foley

Personal Representative of the Estate of John G Foley, deceased
10/13,20, 27-pd

BID#: 2023-05

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Coffee County, Alabama
Separate, sealed bids for the "SBI-ABC Joint Facility" in Enterprise, Alabama, will

be received by the County Commission Office at 1065 E. McKinnon St., New Brockton, AL, 36351, until 1:30 p.m. on the date of the bid, and then from 1:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. bids will be received in the Commission Office. Final bids must be received before the deadline at 2:00 p.m., November 30th, 2022. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud in the Community Room of the County Commission Office at 1065 E. McKinnon St., New Brockton, AL, 36351. The project work consists of "A new joint facility for SBI-ABC," located at 119 Commerce Drive, Enterprise, Alabama 36330, as indicated in the project documents, include partial civil work to be coordinated with the County Engineering Department thereafter a full ground up completed facility.

The Plans, Specifications, and other Contract Documents may be examined at the following: Coffee County Commission Rod Morgan
2 County Complex
New Brockton, AL 36351
(334) 894-5556

Bid Documents & Plans be obtained from G. Mark Pepe Architect, 307 W. Adams St, Dothan, AL 36303. Call 334-712-9721. Bidding Documents for all interested bidders may be obtained upon payment of a deposit of \$200.00 per set. The deposit will be refunded in full to each prime contractor upon return of the documents in reusable condition within 10 days after bid opening. For non-prime contractors, the deposit shall be refunded less \$50.00 to cover the cost of printing, reproduction, handling, and distribution, upon return of the documents in reusable condition within 10 days after bid opening. No partial sets will be sold.

The owner reserves the right to waive any informality or to reject any or all bids. Prime bidders will be required to attend a **mandatory Pre-Bid Conference** on Thursday November 17th, 2022 at 2:00 p.m., at the project site: 119 Commerce Drive, Enterprise, Alabama 36330. Only proposals from bidders with registered attendance at the Pre-Bid Conference will be accepted. Each bidder must deposit with his bid, security in the amount, form, and subject to the conditions provided in the Information for Bidders.

Project No 21160
SBI-ABC Joint Facility
AB-1

No bidder may withdraw his bid within sixty (60) days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

Bids will be received only from Qualified Contractors duly licensed by the State Licensing Board for General Contractors and meeting the qualifications indicated in the Project Documents.

Dean Smith
CHAIRMAN
10/13,20,27-chg



HELP WANTED

City of Elba Employment Opportunity

Equipment Operator / Knuckle Boom Driver

Opening Date: Immediately

The ideal candidate must have a minimal Class B Alabama Commercial Driver's License with a clean MVR. The position requires the individual to have the ability to work non-standard hours.

Salary: Based on experience and qualifications.

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THE ELBA CLIPPER • THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2022
STATE OF ALABAMA
PROCLAMATION
BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, on November 3, 2020, the people of Alabama ratified Amendment 951 to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, authorizing the Alabama Legislature, during its 2022 Regular Session, to draft a recompilation of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901;

WHEREAS Amendment 951 confines the draft recompilation to arranging the Constitution of Alabama of 1901 into proper articles, parts, and sections; removing all racist language; deleting duplicative and repealed provisions; consolidating provisions regarding economic development; and arranging all local amendments by county of application; and the draft may make "no other changes";

WHEREAS Amendment 951 further requires any such draft recompilation to be submitted to the voters upon approval, through a joint resolution, by a three-fifths vote of each house of the Legislature;

WHEREAS the Legislature at its 2022 Regular Session enacted a joint resolution by the requisite three-fifths vote approving a "Proposed Constitution of Alabama of 2022" and specifically finding that it complies with Amendment 951 to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, see Ala. Act No. 2022-111;

WHEREAS the full text of the Proposed Constitution of 2022 is published on the website of the Secretary of State as required by Amendment 951 and is available for viewing at <http://alison.legislature.state.al.us/proposed-2022-constitution/>;

WHEREAS, in conformity with Amendment 951 and other applicable provisions of Alabama law, the Legislature has ordered an election by the qualified electors of the State upon ratification of the Proposed Constitution of 2022 to be held at the 2022 general election; and

WHEREAS, upon ratification of the proposed Constitution of 2022 by a majority of the qualified electors of this State voting on the question of ratification, the Proposed Constitution of 2022 shall succeed the Constitution of Alabama of 1901 as the supreme law of this State in accordance with Amendment 951;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, as Governor of the State of Alabama, do hereby give notice, direct, and proclaim that on Tuesday, November 8, 2022, an election will be held in the State of Alabama in the manner and form provided by law upon the question of ratification of the proposed Constitution of Alabama of 2022, which has been certified by the Secretary of State to appear on ballots as follows:

"Shall the following Recompilation of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901 be ratified?"

PROPOSED
CONSTITUTION TO
APPEAR ON THE
BALLOT STATEWIDE
CONSTITUTION OF
ALABAMA OF 2022

Proposing adoption of the Constitution of Alabama of 2022, which is a recompilation of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, prepared in accordance with Amendment 951, arranging the constitution in proper articles, parts, and sections, removing racist language, deleting duplicated and repealed provisions, consolidating provisions regarding economic development, arranging all local amendments by county of application, and making no other changes. (Proposed by Act 2022-111)

() YES
() NO

STATE OF ALABAMA
PROCLAMATION
BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS the Alabama Legislature at its 2021 and 2022 Regular Sessions enacted Act No. 2021-199 (SB74), Act No. 2021-201 (HB131), Act No. 2021-202 (SB68), Act No. 2021-284 (HB388), Act No. 2021-327 (HB178), Act No. 2022-117 (HB255), Act No. 2022-177 (HB319), Act No. 2022-256 (SB196), Act No. 2022-286 (HB458), and Act No. 2022-288 (HB148), proposing amendments to the

Constitution of Alabama of 1901;

WHEREAS, in conformity with Section 284 of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, as amended, the Legislature has ordered an election by the qualified electors of the state upon such proposed amendments; and

WHEREAS notice of this election, together with the proposed amendments, is required by law to be given by proclamation of the Governor, which shall be published once a week for at least four successive weeks immediately preceding the day appointed for the election;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, as Governor of the State of Alabama, do hereby give notice, direct, and proclaim that on Tuesday, November 8, 2022, an election will be held in the State of Alabama in the manner and form provided by law upon the following proposed amendments to the Constitution of 1901 of the State of Alabama:

AMENDMENT
PROPOSED BY
ACT NO. 2021-199

(a) This amendment shall apply only in Shelby County.

(b) Except as provided for in subsection (c), any private entity and any privately owned plant, property, or facility for the collection, treatment, or disposal of sewage that uses, directly or through a lease or contract, public rights-of-way of public roads for any part of its collection or disposal system, that discharges to a Grade III or higher wastewater treatment facility as defined in and by the current classification system used by the Alabama Department of Environmental Management on January 1, 2020, and its equivalent classification thereafter, and that has residential or commercial customers that are billed a flat service fee or fee based on water usage, hereinafter referred to as utility or utilities, shall be certified and regulated by the Public Service Commission, which regulation shall include, but not be limited to, regulation of the rates, charges, and increases in rates or charges imposed on its customers. The Public Service Commission shall certify and regulate the entities, plants, facilities, and utilities affected hereby, based on and in accordance with Title 37, Code of Alabama 1975, as amended. Implementation of this amendment, whether gradual or at one time, shall be determined by the Public Service Commission. Until the Public Service Commission determines applicable rates and charges to be imposed on customers, the rates and charges shall be in accord with and governed by the most recent and controlling rate control agreement or in the event there is not a controlling rate control agreement, that utility's most recent published rate.

(c) If the county, a municipality, or a governmental utility service corporation (GUSC) in the county enters into a rate control agreement with an entity or facility described in subsection (b), the county, municipality, or GUSC may opt out of regulation by the Public Service Commission as to and for any residential or commercial customers affected by and are subject to the rate control agreement. In the event a rate control agreement or any part thereof is found to be invalid, or is terminated by the county, municipality, or GUSC that entered into the rate control agreement, or becomes unenforceable or void in whole or in part, then the jurisdiction of the Public Service Commission and the provisions in subsection (b) pertaining to regulation by the Public Service Commission shall by operation of law be restored and enforced to the full force and effect of this amendment.

(d) In the event Public Service Commission jurisdiction is restored after the county, municipality, or GUSC has exercised its opt-out provision provided in subsection (c) and has voluntarily terminated the rate control agreement, the county, municipality, or GUSC may not again exercise its power to opt out of Public Service Commission jurisdiction and rate control for a period of five years from the date

Public Service Commission jurisdiction is reinstated.

(e) In the event that an entity, plant, property, or facility serves customers located in more than one municipality, the opt-out option provided in subsection (c) shall vest with the municipality that has a rate control agreement executed as of or prior to January 1, 2021, subject to approval of the Shelby County Commission.

AMENDMENT
PROPOSED BY
ACT NO. 2021-201

Part I. This amendment shall be known and may be cited as Aniah's Law.

Part II. Section 16 of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, now appearing as Section 16 of the Official Recompilation of the Constitution of Alabama 1901, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

"Section 16. "That all persons shall, before conviction, be bailable by sufficient sureties, except for capital offenses, when the proof is evident or the presumption great unless charged with an offense enumerated by the Legislature by general law capital murder, as provided in Section 13A-5-40, Code of Alabama 1975, as amended; murder, as provided in Section 13A-6-2, Code of Alabama 1975, as amended; kidnapping in the first degree, as provided in Section 13A-6-43, Code of Alabama 1975, as amended; rape in the first degree, as provided in Section 13A-6-61, Code of Alabama 1975, as amended; sodomy in the first degree, as provided in Section 13A-6-63, Code of Alabama 1975, as amended; sexual torture, as provided in Section 13A-6-65.1, Code of Alabama 1975, as amended; domestic violence in the first degree, as provided in Section 13A-6-130, Code of Alabama 1975, as amended; human trafficking in the first degree, as provided in Section 13A-6-152, Code of Alabama 1975, as amended; burglary in the first degree, as provided in Section 13A-7-5, Code of Alabama 1975, as amended; arson in the first degree, as provided in Section 13A-7-41, Code of Alabama 1975, as amended; robbery in the first degree, as provided in Section 13A-8-41, Code of Alabama 1975, as amended; terrorism, as provided in subdivision (b) (2) of Section 13A-10-152, Code of Alabama 1975, as amended; and aggravated child abuse, as provided in subsection (b) of Section 26-15-3.1, Code of Alabama 1975, as amended; and that excessive bail shall not in any case be required."

AMENDMENT
PROPOSED BY
ACT NO. 2021-202

Section 6.06 of Amendment 328, as amended by Amendment 364, of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, now appearing as Section 144 of the Official Recompilation of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

"Amendment 364. "Section 6.06. Probate court.

"There shall be a probate court in each county which that shall have general jurisdiction of orphans' business, and of adoptions; and with the power to grant letters testamentary, and of administration, and of guardianships, and shall have such further jurisdiction as may be provided by law, provided, that whenever the circuit court has taken jurisdiction of the settlement of any estate, it shall have power to do all things necessary for the settlement of such estate, including the appointment and removal of administrators, executors, guardians, and trustees and including action upon the resignation of either of them."

AMENDMENT
PROPOSED BY
ACT NO. 2021-284

The implementation date for any bill enacted by the Legislature in a calendar year in which a general election is to be held and relating to the conduct of the general election shall be at least six months before the general election.

AMENDMENT
PROPOSED BY
ACT NO. 2021-327

Each municipality authorized to levy and collect the special ad valorem tax authorized in Amendment No. 8 to the Constitution of Alabama 1901, now appearing as Section 216.01 of the

Recompiled Constitution of Alabama of 1901, as amended, for the payment of bonds and the interest thereon, may levy and collect such ad valorem tax at a rate not exceeding the millage rate then lawfully permitted to be levied and collected by the municipality to directly pay the costs of public capital improvements, as well as to pay the principal of and interest on bonds, warrants, or other securities issued to finance or refinance the costs of the improvements; and any levy and collection of such ad valorem tax for these purposes by the municipality prior to the ratification of this amendment is hereby ratified, validated, and confirmed.

AMENDMENT
PROPOSED BY
ACT NO. 2022-117

The state, a county, or a municipality is authorized to grant federal award funds or any other source of funding designated for broadband infrastructure by state law to any public or private entity for the purpose of providing or expanding broadband infrastructure. The granting of funds by a county or a municipality to a private entity pursuant to this section must be approved at a public meeting held by the appropriate county or municipality.

AMENDMENT
PROPOSED BY
ACT NO. 2022-177

Contingent upon the ratification of the Constitution of Alabama of 2022:

(a) The Code Commissioner shall number and place any constitutional amendment ratified on the date of ratification of this amendment as appropriate in the Constitution of Alabama of 2022, based upon a logical sequence and the particular subject or topic of the amendment.

(b)(1) Any judicial decision interpreting a provision of the Alabama Constitution of 1901, shall remain valid as to the appropriate provision in the Constitution of Alabama of 2022, that has not been substantively changed by the Constitution of Alabama of 2022. Any case annotation to any section of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, compiled and published prior to the ratification of this amendment shall apply to the section as it is numbered or renumbered in the Constitution of Alabama of 2022, as authorized by Amendment 951.

(2) The Code Commissioner shall instruct the publisher of the Official Recompilation of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to transfer, organize, and otherwise arrange annotations to the same or renumbered sections of the Constitution of Alabama of 2022, except to the extent substantively changed.

AMENDMENT
PROPOSED BY
ACT NO. 2022-256

(a)(1) The governor shall have power to Governor may grant reprieves and commutations to persons under sentence of death.

(2) The power to grant a reprieve or commutation under subdivision (1) shall not be exercised until the Governor has notified the Attorney General and has made reasonable efforts to notify a designated member of the victim's family, whose mailing address, e-mail, and phone number have been provided to the Governor by the Attorney General for this purpose.

(3) Failure to provide the required notification under subdivision (2) shall void the reprieve or commutation, and the Attorney General may seek a new execution order from the Alabama Supreme Court as provided under existing law.

(b) The legislature shall have power to Legislature may provide for and to regulate the administration of pardons, paroles, remission of fines and forfeitures, and may authorize the courts having criminal jurisdiction to suspend sentence and to order probation.

(c) No pardon shall relieve a person from civil and political disabilities unless specifically expressed in the pardon.

AMENDMENT
PROPOSED BY
ACT NO. 2022-286

"Amendment 772 (a) The governing body of any county, and the governing body of

any municipality located therein, for which a local constitutional amendment has not been adopted authorizing any of the following, a county or municipality shall have full and continuing power to do any of the following:

"(1) Use public funds to purchase, lease, or otherwise acquire real property, buildings, plants, factories, facilities, machinery, and equipment of any kind, or to utilize the properties heretofore purchased or otherwise acquired on or before adoption of this amendment, and to improve and develop the properties for use as sites for industry of any kind or as industrial park projects, including, but not limited to, grading and the construction of roads, drainage, sewers, sewage and waste disposal systems, parking areas, and utilities to serve the sites or projects.

"(2) Lease, sell, grant, exchange, or otherwise convey, on terms approved by the governing body of the county or the municipality, as applicable, all or any part of any real property, buildings, plants, factories, facilities, machinery, and equipment of any kind or industrial park project to any individual, firm, corporation, or other business entity, public or private, including any industrial development board or other public corporation or authority heretofore or hereafter created by the county or the municipality before or after adoption of this amendment, for the purpose of constructing, developing, equipping, and operating industrial, commercial, research, or service facilities of any kind.

"(3) Lend its credit to, or grant public funds and things of value in aid of, or to, any individual, firm, corporation, or other business entity, public or private, for the purpose of promoting the economic and industrial development of the county or the municipality.

"(4) Become indebted and issue bonds, warrants which may be payable from funds to be realized in future years, notes, or other obligations, or evidences of indebtedness to an aggregate outstanding principal amount not exceeding an amount equal to 50 percent of the assessed value of taxable property therein as determined for state taxation, in order to secure funds for the purchase, construction, lease, or acquisition of any of the property described in subdivision (1), or to be used in furtherance of any of the other powers or authorities granted in this amendment. The obligations or evidences of indebtedness may be issued upon the full faith and credit of the county or any municipality or may be limited as to the source of their payment.

"(b) The recital in any bonds, warrants, notes, or other obligations, or evidences of indebtedness that they were issued pursuant to this amendment, or that they were issued to provide funds to be used in furtherance of any power or authority herein authorized shall be conclusive, and no purchaser or holder thereof need inquire further. The bonds, warrants, notes, or other obligations or evidences of indebtedness issued hereunder shall not be considered do not constitute an indebtedness of the county or any municipality for the purpose of determining the borrowing capacity of the county or municipality under this Constitution.

"(b)(c) In carrying out the purpose of this amendment, neither the county nor any municipality located therein a county or a municipality shall not be subject to Section 93 or 94 of this Constitution or be required to comply with Section 222 of this Constitution. Each public corporation heretofore Section 93 or 94 of this Constitution, nor shall a county or municipality be required to comply with the provisions of Section 222 of this Constitution; unless issuing general obligation bond instruments establishing a requirement for repayment. Each public corporation created by the county or by any municipality located therein on or before the adoption of this amendment, including specifically any industrial development board incorporated under Article 4 of Chapter 54

of Title 11 of the Code of Alabama 1975, and any industrial development authority incorporated or reincorporated under Chapter 92A of Title 11 of the Code of Alabama 1975, and the Shoals Economic Development Authority enacted under Act No. 95-512, 1995 Regular Session, are validated and the powers granted to the board or authority under its respective enabling legislation are validated, notwithstanding any other provision of law or of this Constitution. The powers granted by this amendment may be exercised as an exclusive alternative to, or cumulative with, and in no way restrictive of, powers otherwise granted by this Constitution or any law to the county, or to any municipality, or to any agency, board, or authority created pursuant to the laws of this state.

"(c)(d) Neither the county nor any municipality located therein shall lend its credit to, or grant any public funds or thing of value to, or in aid of, any private entity under the authority of this amendment unless prior thereto to doing so, both of the following are satisfied:

"(1) The action proposed to be taken by the county or municipality is approved at a public meeting of the governing body of the county or municipality, as the case may be, by a resolution containing a determination by the governing body that the expenditure of public funds for the purpose specified will serve a valid and sufficient public purpose, notwithstanding any incidental benefit accruing to any private entity or entities.

"(2) At least seven days prior to the public meeting, a notice is published in the a newspaper having the largest circulation in circulation in the county or municipality, as the case may be, describing in reasonable detail the action proposed to be taken, a description of the public benefits sought to be achieved by the action, and identifying each individual, firm, corporation, or other business entity to whom, or for whose benefit, the county, or the municipality proposes to lend its credit or grant public funds or thing of value.

"(e) For purposes of the foregoing, any sale, lease, or other disposition of property for a price equal to the its fair market value thereof shall not constitute the lending of credit or a grant of public funds or thing of value in aid of a private entity.

"(f) Nothing in this amendment shall authorize the county commission to own or operate a cable television system.

"(d)(g) Any action taken, or agreement made, under Amendment 772 by any county or municipality prior to the date this amendment is ratified and confirmed in all respects as of that date, except to the extent that its validity is being challenged in appropriate judicial proceedings in any court of competent jurisdiction on the date this amendment is ratified. This amendment These amendatory provisions shall have prospective application only. Any local constitutional amendments previously adopted and any local law enacted pursuant to such amendment shall remain in full force and effect."

AMENDMENT
PROPOSED BY
ACT NO. 2022-288

(a) This amendment shall apply only in Jefferson County and Tuscaloosa County.

(b) Any privately owned plant, property, or facility used for the collection, treatment, or disposal of sewage that uses, directly or through a lease or contract, public rights-of-way of public roads for any part of its collection or disposal system and that has residential or commercial customers located in the city limits of Lake View in Tuscaloosa County and Jefferson County that are billed a flat service fee or fee based on water usage shall be certified and regulated by the Public Service Commission, beginning January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2027, in relation to all of the customers of the entity located in the city limits of Lake View in Jefferson County and Tuscaloosa County, and in the unincorporated areas of Tuscaloosa County.

SPORTS NEWS

Views From

The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

Our grandson Lawson has been enjoying afternoon snacks at our house for years, and while his taste of snacks has changed, he is now hooked on frozen pizzas. While there are probably dozens of pizza combinations, he is still a 'cheese pizza' man and eats an entire pizza every afternoon. I don't know what they serve at the lunchroom, but it obviously doesn't last long.

For what it is worth....

*** **The Elba Tigers survived an early scare** and remained unbeaten last week with a wild 62-28 region road win over Georgiana. Elba appeared headed for an easy win after jumping out to an early 14-0 win, but made a couple of mistakes that let the Panthers pull even at 14-14 and needed a second half explosion to pull away and improve its record to 7-0. The game was filled with big scoring plays by both teams, including a 65-yard run and a 90-yard run by Elba speedster Alvin Henderson. However, the key play in the game came on the second half kickoff when the Tigers, clinging to a slim 21-14 lead, pulled off a successful on-sides kick to open the half and were able to stretch their lead as they regained command and never looked back. Alvin Henderson ran for over 400 yards and five touchdowns in the win and Cayden Adkins scored on both offense and defense to help lead the Tigers to the win, while placekicker Alex Wisecup displayed a variety of short kickoffs that befuddled the Panthers and added eight of nine extra points. The game was a little scarier that many had thought, but it was a win on the road and one the Tigers needed in their quest for a region title.

*** **It wasn't the best of weeks** for the teams in the area unless you wear the blue and orange of Kinston as the Bulldogs were the only team to post a win.

Kinston kept its slim playoff hopes alive with an impressive 35-0 road win over Red Level to improve its region record to 2-3 and in the last two weeks has outscored two region opponents by a combined score of 82-13. Its three losses were to region leaders Elba, Brantley and Georgiana, which gives the Bulldogs fans hopes they can make a late run and advance to the post-season for the second straight year.

New Brockton continued its struggles in a 56-7 region road loss to Straughn and even the biggest Gamecock fans have their fingers crossed that the team can avoid a winless season. Brockton has scored only 71 points in seven losses this season while allowing over 40 points a game, and unless it can turn things around in a hurry could be headed for its first winless season since way back in 2000.

Zion Chapel kept it close until midway through the third quarter in a disappointing 34-12 region loss to Geneva County. The Rebels battled on every play and trailed 16-12 in the third quarter, but for the second straight week gave out of gas late in the game and slipped to 2-5 on the season with three quality opponents left on the schedule.

*** **The high school season is winding down** quickly and this week I thought I'd take a look at some of the teams in the area that have made headlines over the past eight weeks. In Class 1A, the surprise team has been the Florala Wildcats. The 'Cats own a 6-1 record after last week's 72-38 romp over McKenzie and during their mid-season five game winning streak have averaged over 40 points a game as they seek a trip back to the playoff after a one-year absence. In Class 2A., Highland Home is off to an 8-0 start for the first time since 1983 and last week didn't break a sweat in a 36-14 win over Barbour County. The Flying Squadron has surrendered almost 16 points a game, which is a surprise, but is brimming with confidence and averages over 35 points a game. In Class 3A, Opp strolled past Daleville 33-7 last week to up its record to 6-1. The Bobcats have won six straight games since a season-opening loss to 4A power Andalusia, and while not all of the wins have been easy, they were wins and kept the 'Cats on a roll. In Class 4A, Andalusia spanked Slocomb 49-0 as the undefeated Bulldogs improved their record

to 8-0 as they head toward a showdown with top-ranked Montgomery Catholic in the regular season finale. During the eight wins, the 'Dogs have outscored their victims 392-91! In Class 5A, Charles Henderson stunned Eufaula 34-7 to clinch its first region title since back in 2013, when the Trojans reached the 4A finals. The Trojans had struggled to post a combined record of 10-29 the last four seasons, but have come back to life and showed last week they are a team to be reckoned with. In Class 7A, Enterprise kept its slim playoff hopes alive with an impressive 51-28 win over Dothan. The Wildcats need to win out and get some help along the way to make the post-season party, but are definitely a team no one would want to play when the playoffs kick off in four weeks.

*** **The week in the college football world** went pretty much as expected with Alabama and Troy winning at home and Auburn getting blown out at Georgia. Up in Tuscaloosa, the Crimson Tide managed to somehow survive in its 24-20 conference showdown with Texas A & M, but it was obvious from the start that the offensive staff had no real game plan for the Tide's back-up quarterback and the kicker that I once thought was the best in the nation missed two field goals that could have cost his team the game. Up at Troy, I went to my second game in three weeks and was once again impressed with the speed that the Trojans have on both sides of the ball. The Trojans may not be big physically, but they make up for it with their intensity and love for the game. Over at Athens, Auburn would have probably lost the game anyway to a more talented Georgia team, but the fake punt with the scored tied at 0-0 was the turning point in the game and the Tigers never again had a chance. In my opinion, Auburn's coaches don't have a feel for the talent, or lack of talent at the plains, and it is past time the powers to be admit the mistake in hiring the current coach and his staff and just clean house.

*** **Ye Ole Polish Prognosticator** dropped by over the weekend and admitted he was already looking toward the playoffs even though there are still three weeks left in the regular season. He had to change subjects after I told him how superstitious I was, but did let me now that he hit on 25 of his 28 picks last week and is on a roll. The local guesspert has been around for a while, has seen a lot of games and is one of only a few folks still making picks. So, I guess he does deserve a little credit for what has been another successful season. Here is this week's fearless forecast....

ELBA VS. FLORALA

It will be a real catfight this week on the green turf of Mack Wood Field when the Pea River felines host a litter of kitties from down near the state line that have been leaving lots of scars on their victims all season long. The felines have big plans for a victory dance after the game, but may be a little too tired to do much dancing after a what should be a four-quarter fight in this key region match-up.

ELBA 41 FLORALA 30

BRANTLEY VS. PLEASANT HOME

The bulldogs from up across the creek took last week off to get ready for a run toward a title and this week will

In key region clash

Elba hosts Florala for homecoming

It may be out of the frying pan and into the fire for the Elba Tigers Friday night as they look to celebrate homecoming against the high-powered Florala Wildcats.

The (7-0) Tigers sit atop the region standings with a 5-0 region slate after a big 62-28 win over Georgiana, while the (6-1) Wildcats will bring a 4-1 region record into the clash after a 72-38 win over McKenzie.

"Florala has been a really good team all season and had gone unnoticed by a lot of folks until scoring 72 points last week," said Elba Tiger head coach Marc Sieving, "but we have kept our eye on them all season long and I guarantee you they have our respect and we know we will be in for a real battle Friday night."

Elba leads the all-time series 16-14-4 in a gridiron series that goes all the way back to 1925. The Tigers, which failed to score in the first five meetings, posted a wild 61-34 in the last meeting in 2019.

The Tigers sit atop the Class 1A, Region 1 standings, are coming off a 62-28 region road win over Georgiana, and have outscored its victims 295-96 during the season.

The Wildcats have won five straight games and have claimed wins over Red Level 34-19, Southern Choctaw 38-20, Pleasant

Home 50-20, Samson 28-14, Houston County 27-0 and McKenzie 72-38, while losing to Georgiana 20-14. Florala is back on a roll after missing the playoffs last season for the first time in four years and has its sights set on being at home when the post-season kicks off in four weeks.

"Florala has a combination of a couple of really dynamic players and a group of players that work hard and play hard," added Sieving. "It has lit up the scoreboard all season and doesn't mind at all getting in an offensive shootout with anybody. It has a shifty quarterback that can score from anywhere on the field on any play and some tall receivers that can go up and get it. Last week showed just what it can do when things are clicking on offense and you know they will come over here Friday night looking to knock us off. Their quarterback may be the best we've seen all year and they run similar formations to use, but they throw the ball more. They like to run the ball on powers, counters and jet sweeps, and use misdirection that can confuse the linebackers, and they also like to throw it deep. Their offense will definitely challenge us on every play."

"We have told the players that their job homecoming week is to win the foot-

be looking to chase away a flock of birds that are expected to roost just after dark on Friday afternoon. The 'dogs have gone hungry twice this season and will make sure the birds don't fly down and fly away with any crumbs in what is a big region clash.

BRANTLEY 54 PLEASANT HOME 6

KINSTON VS. MCKENZIE

The bulldogs from down near the county line have come to life the last two weeks and have their sights set on making it three wins in a row Friday night when they take the field for a clash with a litter of kitties that are still looking for their first victory dinner in eight weeks. This has been a four quarter fight in recent years and may be again, but the guess here is the bulldogs are on a mission and will pass this test with flying colors.

KINSTON 40 MCKENZIE 18

NEW BROCKTON VS. ASHFORD

The roosters have moved back to their old shed behind the dollar store and have high hopes that being back home will help revive the success from years past. The roosters discovered a big nest of yellow jackets when they moved back in and will need to remove the nest if they have any hopes of celebrating being back at home. They should be able to knock down the nest, but I'm afraid may get stuck in the process.

ASHFORD 34 NEW BROCKTON 20

ZION CHAPEL VS. COTTONWOOD

The troops from up at Fort Jack will take a long march toward the circle city this weekend and have their muskets loaded as they hunt for fur to help keep them warm in the winter. They will have an easy time finding some big 'ole bears that have a den a few miles from the circle, but bagging enough to call the trip a success may be a little harder since these bears will be in a bad mood after going hungry since last week.

COTTONWOOD 34 ZION CHAPEL 12

OTHER PICKS:

Georgiana 60 Pleasant Home 14
Linden 49 University Charter 0
G.W. Long 35 Abbeville 7
Geneva County 29 Samson 10
Reeltown 28 Luverne 14
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Elba Tiger head football coach Marc Sieving will lead the Tigers into Friday night's homecoming clash against Florala.

ball game," added Sieving, "and that is what we have preached all week. Let others students worry about the dance and rolling yards.

We have to remain focused on the job at hand, and that is to be ready to play against a very good football team. If we are going to be successful Friday night, we will have to correct the mistakes we made last week against Georgiana. We made mistakes all over the field at various times and it cost us. If we make mistakes again this week it will cost us again, because Florala can score points in a hurry. It certainly doesn't

get any easier for us, even though we are at home, because we are playing a team that is much better than anyone realizes."

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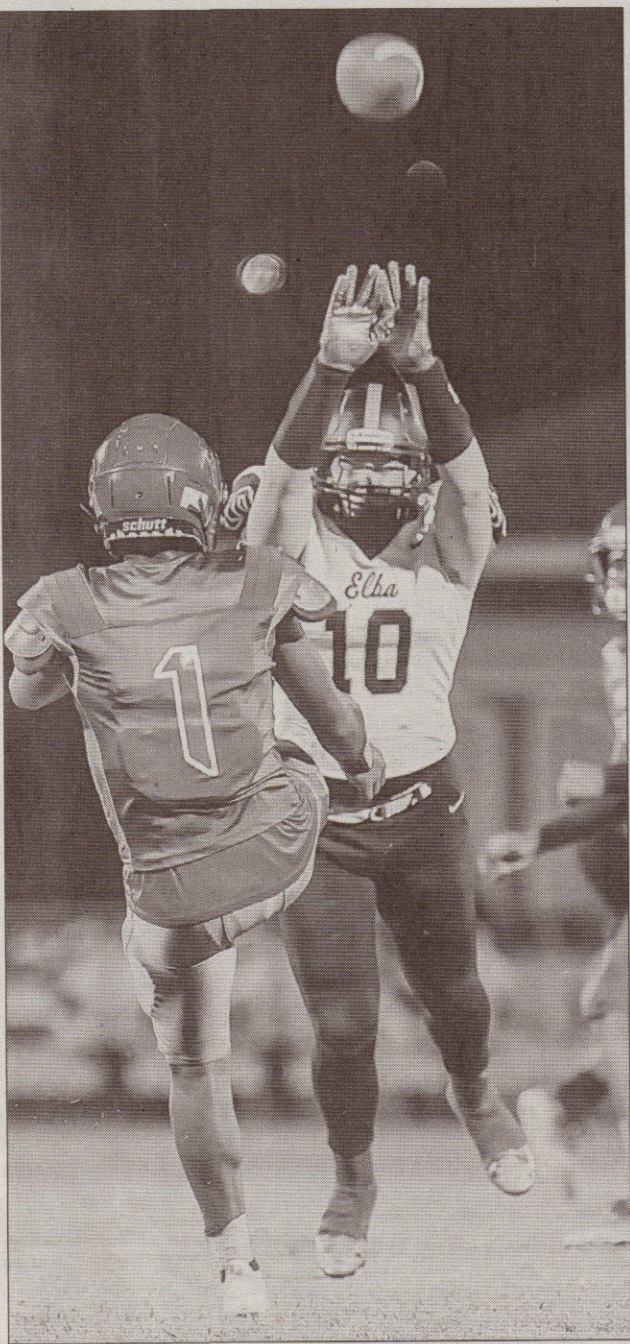
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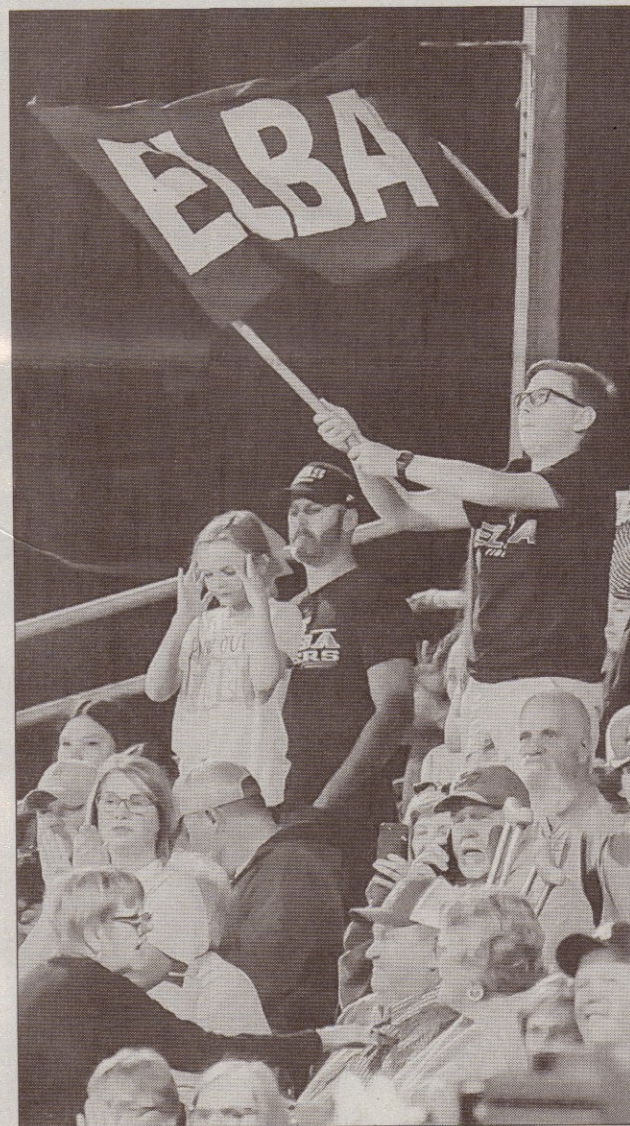
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Elba Tiger Cayden Adkins (10) applies heavy pressure to the Georgiana punter in last week's 62-28 region road win over the Panthers.



The black and gold Elba flag was flying high last week in Georgiana at another Tiger win.

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Grab big road win

Elba Tigers pound Panthers 62-28

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor
Photos by BC Sports Photography

The Elba Tigers strengthened their hold on the top spot in the region standings Thursday night with a big 62-28 road win over the Georgiana Panthers.

Elba received the opening kickoff and drove 61 yards in seven plays and overcame twenty yards in penalties to get on the scoreboard. Alvin Henderson rushed for 65 yards to lead the Tigers into the endzone and scored his first touchdown of the night on a 15-yard scamper. Alex Wisecup kicked the extra-point, and with 7:28 left in the first quarter Elba was already on top 7-0.

Elba regained possession at its own 40-yardline and this time went 60 yards in seven plays to add to its lead. Elba had an apparent touchdown early in the possession wiped off by a penalty flag. However, the flag only delayed the next Tiger score as Alvin Henderson scored on a 9-yard run on the first play of the second quarter and Wisecup booted the extra-point to push the Tigers lead to 14-0.

Georgiana began its ensuing possession at the Elba 32-yardline after a 53-yard kickoff return by Jalen Crenshaw and needed only two plays to reach the endzone, with the score coming on a 27-yard touchdown toss from Jacobie Morgan to Cameron Miles. Miles also ran in the two-point conversion as the Panthers cut the Elba lead to 14-8 with 11:20 left in the quarter.

The Panthers got the ball right back when Elba fumbled the ensuing kickoff at midfield, and in two plays Georgiana was back in the endzone after a 22-yard dash up the middle by Miles. A two-point run failed to produce points, but with 9:56 remaining in the quarter the Panthers had pulled even at 14-14.

Elba turned the ball over on a pass interception on its ensuing series, but regained possession at its own 35-yardline after a defensive stop, and promptly went 65 yards in five plays to regain the lead. The Tiger touchdown came on a 14-yard run by Cayden Adkins, and Wisecup added the extra-point as Elba moved back ahead 21-14 with 1:35 remaining in the half.

Elba recovered an on-sides kick on the second half kickoff and went 44 yards in just three plays to extend its lead. Alvin Henderson scored the touchdown on a 31-yard sprint up the middle, and while the extra-point try failed, the Tigers lead had grown to 27-14 with 10:31 left in the third quarter.

Elba's Collin Arnold picked off a Panther pass near midfield to stop the ensuing Georgiana possession, and the Tigers cashed in the turnover as they stretched their lead to 34-14 with 6:42 left in the quarter on a 6-yard dash by JT Coleman and the extra-point by Wisecup.

Georgiana refused to throw in the towel and bounced right back to cut into the Elba lead. The Panther score came on a 38-yard run by Cameron Miles and Morgan ran in two-point conversion as the Panthers pulled within 34-22 with 5:26 still left in the quarter.

The Tigers began their next series at their own 35-yardline and wasted little time regaining its advantage as on the first play of the possession Alvin Henderson burst through a hole, hit the sidelines and raced



Elba Tiger running back Alvin Henderson (2) heads upfield for a big gain in last week's 62-28 win over Georgiana. Henderson rushed for 412 yards and five touchdowns in the big region road win.

65 yard for a touchdown. Alex Wisecup added the extra-point, and with 5:05 left in the quarter the Tigers owned a 41-22 advantage.

The Elba defense stepped up to stop a Georgiana scoring threat on the game's ensuing series at the Elba 20-yardline, and while a penalty on first down backed the Tigers up to their own 10-yardline, it made no difference as on first down Alvin Henderson took a direct snap and raced 90 yards for a Tiger touchdown. Wisecup's extra-point was again true as Elba's lead ballooned to 48-22 with 35-seconds remaining in a wild third quarter.

Georgiana continued to challenge the Elba defense and on a fourth down and 17 play stunned the Tigers when Jacobie Morgan connected with Kaveon Miles on a 64-yard touchdown toss. A two-point failed to reach the goal line, but the Panthers were still alive as Elba's lead stood at 48-28.

Georgiana regained possession at its own 5-yardline following Elba's only punt of the game, and this time the Tiger defense came up with a big play as on second down the Panthers Jacobie Morgan fumbled after a big hit and Elba's Cayden Adkins recovered the loose ball in the endzone for a Tiger touchdown. Wisecup added the extra-point, and with 6:31 left on the clock the Tigers were finally in command with a 55-28 lead.

Elba began its next possession near midfield after another defensive stop and from there it took the Tigers two plays to get back into the endzone. The score came on a 12-yard reverse by Cody Gray, and Wisecup added his eighth extra-point of the night as Elba put the finishing touch on the big 62-28 region win.

Alvin Henderson rushed for 412 yards on 22 carries and scored 5 touchdowns to lead Elba on offense, while Cayden Adkins scored on a 14-yard run and a fumble recovery in the endzone, JT Coleman rushed for 47 yards and one td on three carries, and Brayden Johnson added 43 yards on six carries.

Georgiana was sparked by Cameron Miles with 112 yards and two touchdowns on 17 carries and one pass reception for 27 yards and a Panther score.



Elba Tiger Colin Arnold (1) returns an interception in last week's 62-28 region win over Georgiana. The win upped the Tigers record to 7-0, 5-0 in region play.

The yardstick....

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21	1 st Downs	12
41-579	Rushes-Yds.	29-138
0	Passing Yds.	123
579	Total Offense	261
0-2-1	Passes	4-13-1
2/1	Fumbles/Lost	4/0
1-42	Punts-Ave.	2-24
11-85	Penalties-Yds.	5-30

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Kinston Bulldog Jeb Crosby (1) eyes an opening and heads upfield for a big gain. The Bulldogs kept their play-off hopes alive last week with a big 35-0 region win over Red Level.

Posts key region win

Kinston tames Tigers 35-0

Statistics by W.J. Adcock
Staff photos by Linda Hodge

The Kinston Bulldogs kept their playoff hopes alive last Friday night with a convincing 35-0 region win over the Red Level Tigers.

Kinston began its first scoring drive of the night near midfield after a Red Level punt and went 59 yards in eight plays to get on the scoreboard. Jeb Crosby rushed for 36 yards on three carries to lead the Bulldogs down the field, while Cale Sumblin scored the touchdown on a 1-yard run. Marcus Free added the extra-point to put Kinston on top 7-0 with 1:01 left in the first quarter.

Kinston upped its lead to 9-0 with 6:33 left in the third quarter when the Bulldogs Colby Tew blocked a Red Level punt that was recovered in the endzone, and then added two touchdowns in the quarter to open up a 22-0 advantage.

Cale Sumblin scored on an 8-yard run with 6:28 left on the clock on the first play after a fumble recovery by Reece Hall, and Colby Tew broke loose on a 31-yard touchdown scamper with 2:09 remaining in the quarter to cap off a 65-yard scoring drive that upped the Bulldogs lead to 22-0.

Cale Sumblin scored the next Kinston touchdown on a 56-yard sprint with 3:53 left in the fourth quarter after a defensive stand near midfield, while the final score came on a 74-yard gallop by Colby Tew with only 19-seconds left on the clock. Marcus Free connected on two of his four extra-point attempts in the second half as the Bulldogs enjoyed a happy bus ride home after posting the surprising 35-0 region win over the Tigers.

Colby Tew rushed for 112 yards and two touchdowns on four carries to lead the Kinston offensive attack, while Cale Sumblin added 87 yards and two touchdowns on 10 carries and Jeb Crosby rushed for 78 yards and one touchdown.

Drew Connor made 12 tackles to spark the Bulldog defense in the shutout win and Cale Sumblin added 8 stops.

In region home loss

Zion Chapel zapped 34-12

Statistics by Catrina Arnold
Photos by Catrina Arnold and Ceretha Stricklin

The Zion Chapel Rebels kept it close for two quarters last Friday night in a region battle against Geneva County, but ran out of ammunition in the second half and could only watch as the pack of Bulldogs from Hartford scored three unanswered touchdowns to pull away and claim a 34-12 win, at Green Memorial Stadium.

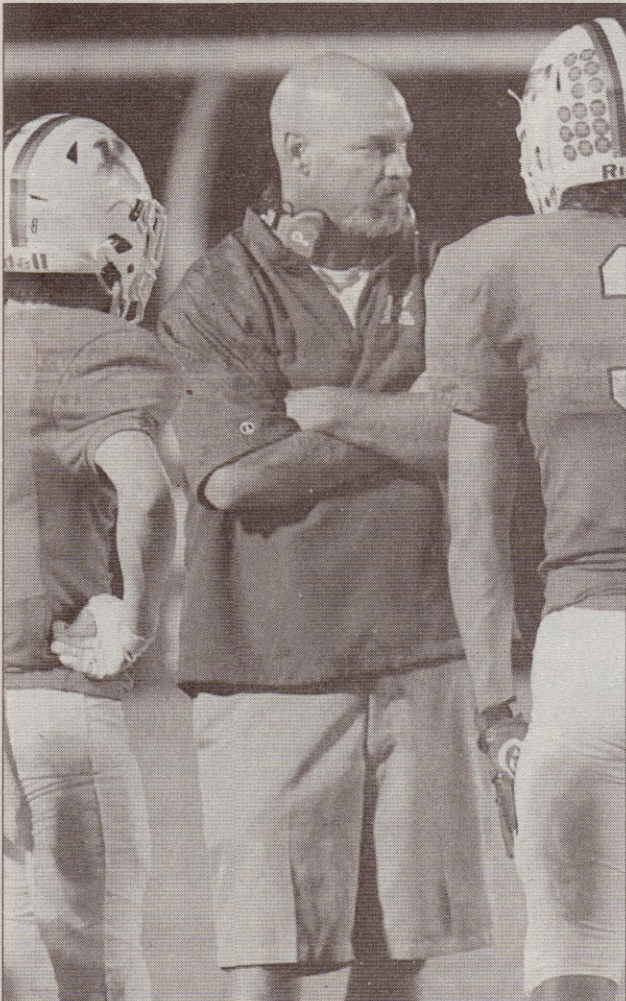
Geneva County pulled out to a 16-0 lead late in the second quarter, but the Rebels scored in the final seconds of the half to pull within 16-6 and then cut the deficit to 16-12 midway through the third quarter before Geneva County pulled away for the region win.

Layton Grantham pulled in a 30-yard touchdown pass with 55-seconds left in the second period to get the Rebels on the scoreboard, while JoJo Legear pulled in a 22-yard touchdown toss with 6:27 remaining in the third quarter as Zion Chapel pulled within 16-12.

Isaiah Hutcherson rushed for 244 yards on 23 carries and scored touchdowns on runs of 19, 14, 19 and 4 yards to spark Geneva County, and Caden Hutchings added a Bulldog score on a 19-yard dash.

The yardstick....

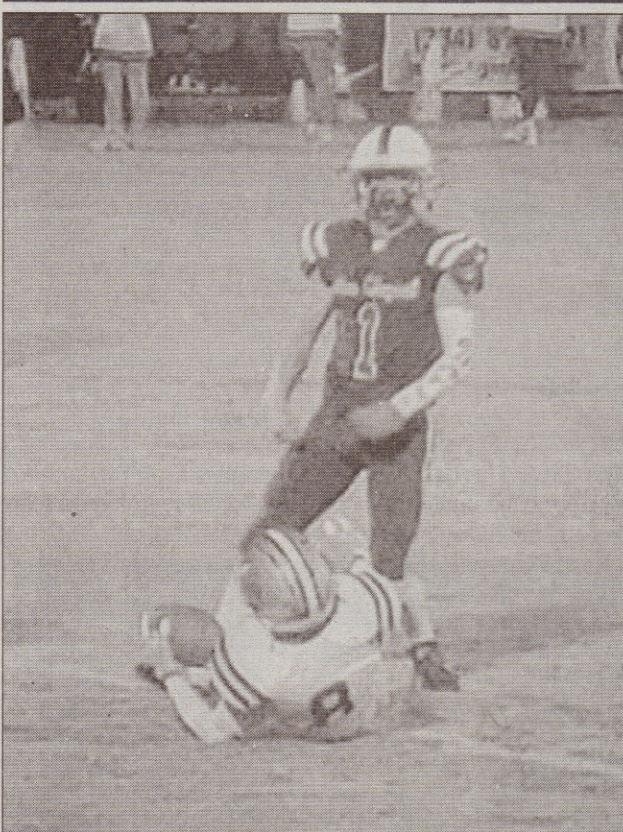
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10	1st Downs	11
39-103	Rushes-Yds.	30-279
137	Passing Yds.	34
240	Total Offense	313
7-11-0	Passes	5-11-2
7-50	Penalties-Yds.	5-30
2-45	Punts-Ave.	1-28
0/0	Fumbles/Lost	2/0



Kinston Bulldog head football coach Rudy Free talks with his team during a time out. The Bulldogs will stay in region action this week when they host the McKenzie Tigers in a must win contest at Bulldog Stadium.



Kinston High School Bulldog Band got plenty of practice playing the fight song last week in the Bulldogs big 35-0 win over Red Level.



Zion Chapel Rebel Morgan Sanders (1) makes his presence known on defense with a big hit on a Geneva County back in last week's region battle against the Bulldogs.



Zion Chapel Rebel defense is ready and waiting for the snap in last week's home clash against the Geneva County Bulldogs.

Region wars continue for area teams in week eight

The high school football season continues to wind down this week with all four area teams on the field in key region contests.

Following is a preview of this week's action:

(0-7) New Brockton vs. (1-6) Ashford

The New Brockton Gamecocks will return to their roost this week for a region clash with the Ashford Yellowjackets. It will be the first-ever meeting between the new region rivals, and both teams will be hungry for a win in what has been a disappointing season for both teams.

New Brockton remained winless on the season last week with a 56-7 road loss at Straughn and watched its losing streak reach 11 games. The Gamecocks average 7 points a game and allow 41 points a game.

Ashford, which has struggled to a 5-31 combined record the last five seasons, will be coming off a bye week after posting its only win of the season in a 38-22 victory over Daleville. The Yellowjackets have been outscored this season 220-94, and haven't enjoyed a winning season since back in 2014.

(2-5) Zion Chapel at (3-4) Cottonwood

The Zion Chapel Rebels will be looking to pick up a rare region win on the road Friday night when they travel to Cottonwood to tangle with the Cottonwood Bears. The Bears own a 5-0 series record and last season posted a 54-28 win.

Zion Chapel will ether the clash with a two-game losing streak after losses to G.W. Loong 42-7 and Geneva County 34-12 and have been outscored 224-99 this season in seven games.

Cottonwood will also carry a two-game

losing streak into the clash after losses to Arifton 40-6 and G.W. Long 35-28, but the Bears can even their region record at 3-3 with a win and keep alive hopes for a playoff berth for the first time since 2014.

(3-4) Kinston vs. (0-6) McKenzie

The Kinston Bulldogs will be looking to keep their slim playoff hopes alive Friday night when they host the winless McKenzie Tigers. McKenzie owns a 16-10 series edge and won last season 26-15.

The Bulldogs are on a two-game winning streak after a 1-4 start that included losses to Elba, Georgiana, Brantley and Goshen, have outscored their last two opponents 82-13 and must win out to have a chance at a return trip to the playoffs.

The Tigers won 14 total games the past two seasons, but have allowed over 40 points a game this season and will be coming off a 72-38 region loss at Florala.

(5-2) Brantley vs. (2-5) Pleasant Home

The Brantley Bulldogs will be looking to hold on to its number two spot in the region standings Friday night when they host the Pleasant Home Eagles. The Bulldogs own a 21-1 series edge, with the only loss coming back in 2001.

The Bulldogs will be coming off a bye week after posting a 2-2 record the previous four weeks and have averaged 39 points a game while allowing 14 points per game this season.

The Eagles have lost four straight games after a 2-1 start and will be coming off a 42-21 region loss to Houston County. The Eagles have scored an average of 21 points a game and allowed 31 points a game, and haven't enjoyed a winning season in six years.

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Record slips to 0-7

'Brockton bounced by Straughn Tigers 56-7



New Brockton Gamecock Baylon Foster (6) turns around and sees no one around on an 84-yard kickoff return for a touchdown in last week's region road game at Straughn.



New Brockton Gamecocks Curtis Wambles (78) grabs a Straughn runner as Gamecock teammate Blake Peterson (15) closes in to help in last week's region clash with the Tigers.

Statistics by Brandon White
Photos by Ashley Bertsch

The New Brockton Gamecocks saw their football fortunes go from bad to worse Friday night as their losing streak reached 11 games with a 56-7 region road loss to the Straughn Tigers.

New Brockton gave its fans something to cheer about immediately as on the opening kickoff Baylon Foster fielded the kick at the 16-yardline, found a seam and raced 84 yards for a touchdown. The extra-point was true, and with only 14-seconds gone off the clock the Gamecocks were already on top 7-0.

Straughn was not impressed with the sudden score; however, and scored three touchdowns of its own in the opening quarter to open up a 21-7 advantage. Aaron Olhava scored the first two Tiger touchdowns on runs of 2 and 18 yards, while Charlie Jordan added a 15-yard interception return for a score, and Brenden Bartholomew kicked the extra-points after each score as the Tigers carried a 21-7 lead into the second quarter.

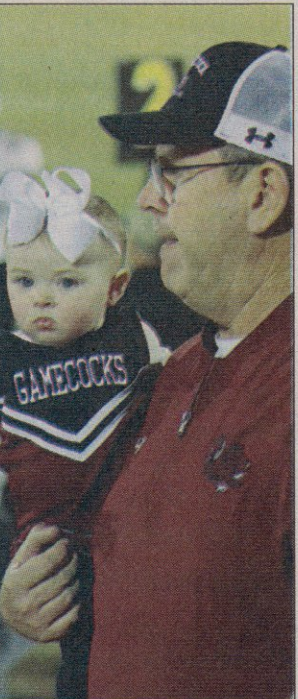
Olhava continued to fund his way to the endzone in the second quarter and scored three more touchdowns as the Tigers blew the game open. The scoring jaunts covered 5, 3 and 79 yards, and Bartholomew was true with his extra-point attempts as at the half Straughn went in with a big 42-7 lead.

Nicholas Williams added a 41-yard touchdown dash in the third quarter and Saxby Radford scored on a 23-yard gallop early in the fourth quarter as the Tigers put the finishing touches on the lopsided 56-7 home-

coming win.

Gabe Herrington completed 5 of 17 passes with three interceptions for 46 yards to lead the Gamecocks in the air, with James Downing pulling in two passes for 30 yards. Yassiah Rousseau was the leading rusher as he gained 63 yards on 23 carries. On defense, the Gamecocks were led by Blake Peterson with 15 tackles and Baylon Foster with seven stops.

Aaron Olhava rushed for 141 yards and five touchdowns to spark Straughn.



New Brockton fans of all ages made the trip to Straughn last week to watch the Gamecocks in action on the road.

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Colby Capps (right) accepts the 'Elba Country Club Men's Golf Championship' trophy from club president Kenneth Grantham.

Capps wins ECC crown

The Elba Country Club held its annual 'Club Championship' golf tournament recently with Colby Capps firing back-to-back rounds of one-under par 71 to claim his first club title in seventeen years.

Capps, a former prep standout at Elba High, won the title at age 19, but had not competed in a stroke play event in seven years before taking home the title.

Following are complete tournament results:

Colby Capps 71-71-142, Mark Wicker 75-70-145, Trey Gray 75-76-151, Jamison Baker 81-74-155, Tanner Hudson 86-88-174, Griffin Martin 86-90-176, Scott Jernigan 97-89-186, Terry Pike 99-89-188, Chris Moseley 104-110-214.

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The annual meeting of the membership of South Alabama Electric Cooperative will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 25, at the SAEC Office Complex, 13192 U.S. Hwy 231, Troy, Alabama.

A business session will review the financial status of the cooperative. No goody bags, entertainment, food or door prizes will be available.

SAEC members should have already received their meeting packet in the mail. If you still haven't received your ballot, please contact SAEC at 334-566-2060.

CASTING YOUR VOTE IS SIMPLE:

Review the candidate information and mark one choice for each district. Then, place your ballot in the mail. Allow plenty of time for your ballot to be received and counted. All mail-in ballots are due by noon on Oct. 24.

EVERY MEMBER WHO VOTES WILL RECEIVE A
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LIFESTYLES

Elba Masonic Lodge conducting fundraiser

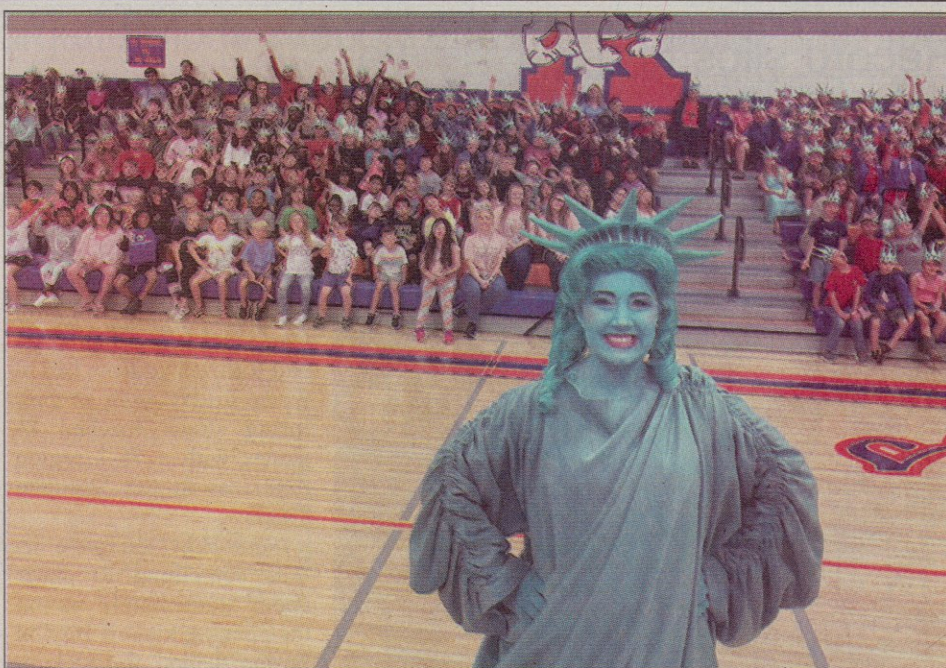
The members of the Elba Masonic Lodge #170 are selling tickets for two drawings of \$1,000 each to be given away Monday, Dec. 5, at the Elba Christmas Parade. Drawing will be held at the flowing well, which will be located on the downtown square.

Local Senior Center looking for new participants

The New Hope Senior Citizens Center is taking applications for new participants. Must be age 60 or older. For more info., contact Conzuella Banks, center manager.

This is a fundraiser for the lodge. Tickets are \$10 each or 11 tickets can be purchased for \$100.

For more information, contact W/M Wendell Black at (334) 372-0996; Secretary Harry Young at (334) 301-9590; or PGM Tommy Morrow at (334) 406-1130.



Libby grabs a picture with the students of Coffee County during last week's show held at Kinston School.

Local students participate in Super Citizen program

On Wednesday, Oct. 5, more than 275 elementary students from Kinston, New Brockton, & Zion Chapel Elementary Schools came together to kick off the Super Citizen Program for 2022.

They waved flags, wore Statue of Liberty crowns and counted down for Libby Liberty™ to take the stage. The lady in green brought history to life and introduced students to the 10-week civic, character, financial literacy and social studies program they will under-

take.

Students in multiple grades are participating in the Super Citizen Program. The younger grades are taught by an innovative civic education program starring Mr. Palmer (the hand-puppet host of the "Hands on Liberty" DVD series). Upper elementary grades learn from the original Super Citizen Program kit that features DVD-based lessons, class activities and the emotional, unforgettable "Torch Teams" project-

based learning experience.

In Torch Teams, students team up, nominate, vote for and, ultimately, honor local heroes from stage at their graduation later this year. They learn that "When you honor a hero, you become a hero."

Last week's event and the injection of civic learning is free to schools because of generous community sponsors who understand that these crucial lessons must be taught despite school time and budget constraints.



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HOMEcoming WEEK GATHERING...Several members of the Elba High School Class of 1966 gathered for breakfast Tuesday morning, Oct. 11, at Juliette's Restaurant in Elba. The group meets monthly, but this week was special in that it is "Homecoming Week" in Elba. Those in attendance for Tuesday's breakfast were: John Lawless, Terry Calhoun, Merrell Shirley, Bobby Edmondson, Jackey Tindol, Jerome Blackmon, Butch Oggs, Jerry Brown, Kenneth Baker, Douglas Rodgers, Neal Hutto, Eddie Thompson, Harry Young, and David Blackmon.

Elba High Class of '82 announces reunion plans

The Elba High School Class of 1982 will be holding a reunion on Homecoming Day, Friday,

October 14, 2022.

The group will be riding a float in the traditional Homecoming Parade. Following the parade, they will gather in front of the old high school for a class picture.

The class members will attend the Elba-Florala foot-

ball game that evening and after the game will meet at Joey Harrelson's for a social.

Saturday the group will again gather at Harrelson's from around noon . . . until.

For more information call Joey Harrelson at (334) 406-2573.

Vietnam Vets chapter meeting set for Saturday morning, Oct. 15, in Ozark

The Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 373 Meeting will be held Saturday, Oct. 15, at the Friends of Army Aviation Hangar in Ozark, 189 Heritage Way, Ozark, AL. There will not be an optional breakfast at this meeting due to the Friends of Army

Aviation being out of town for an airshow.

The meeting will start at 9 a.m. in the conference room. Plan to attend this meeting to provide input for the December/Christmas meeting. For additional information contact: bob.bcooper@gmail.com

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